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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch steamers as above with mails, passengers, and cargo, every fourteen days.

The steam-ship Oriental, 1,181 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander C. Day, will be despatched on Tuesday, the 14th September, at noon.

	Sept.		September
Leave Bombay	14	Leave Galle	21
„ Carwar	15	„ Negapatam	24
„ Mangalore	16	„ Madras	27
„ Coonanda	17	„ Coconada	28
„ Calicut	17	„ Vizagapatam	30
		„ Bimlipatam	30
„ Beypore	17		Oct.
„ Cochin	18	„ Gopalpore	1
„ Tuticorin	19	Arrives Calcutta	3
„ Colombo	20		

This route is the most expeditious and economical for passengers for the Neilgherries district, Bangalore, and Madras, which can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

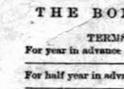
Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging cargo and passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)



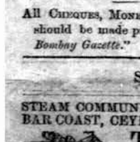
THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, will despatch a steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Guadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bushire, Fao, and Bussorah.

Up.	Sept.	Down.	Oct.
Leave Bombay	18	Leave Bussorah	8
„ Kurrachee	23	„ Fao	9
„ Guadur	23	„ Bushire	10
„ Muscat	28	„ Bahrein	11
„ Bunder Abbas	28	„ Linga	12
„ Linga	29	„ Bunder Abbas	14
	Oct.	„ Muscat	16
„ Bushire	2	„ Guadur	18
„ Fao	3	„ Kurrachee	20
Arrive Bussorah	4	Arrives Bombay	23

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every Saturday at 4 P. M.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM FERRIES (under contract with Government).—Steam Ferry Boats will ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at the undermentioned Bunders:—

Fares from Bombay to	Rewas.	Dhurumtur.	Butchers' Island and Uran	Oolwa.
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.
First Class	2 0	3 0	2 0	3 0
Second Class	1 0	1 0	0 8	0 12
Third Class	0 6	0 8	0 4	0 9

The Dhurumtur Ferry leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8 A.M., and Dhurumtur at 1 P.M.

The Oolwa Ferry leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8-30 A.M., and Oolwa at 1 P.M.

Passengers are required to obtain Tickets from the Bunder Clerk previous to proceeding on board.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

Apollo Street, Bombay, 5th November 1867.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST.

Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL OUTRAM, and TILLY.

ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days:—

Down Steamers.		Up Steamers.	
Leave Bombay	Saturday.	Leave Cochin	Sunday.
„ Ratnagherry	Sunday.	„ Beypore	Monday.
„ Malwan	„	„ Calicut	„
„ Vingorla	„	„ Tellicherry	Tuesday.
„ Goa	Monday.	„ Cannanore	„
„ Carwar	„	„ Mangalore	Wednesday.
„ Coompta	„	„ Coompta	Thursday.
„ Mangalore	„	„ Carwar	„
„ Cannanore	Wednesday.	„ Goa	„
„ Tellicherry	„	„ Vingorla	Friday.
„ Calicut	„	„ Malwan	„
„ Beypore	„	„ Ratnagherry	Saturday.
Arrive Cochin	Thursday.	Arrive Bombay	Sunday.

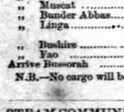
The Steamer OUTRAM, Captain Teasdale, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY, the 18th September. For freight and passage apply to

NOWROJEE BHICAJEE, Manager.

No. 6, Borah Bazar Street, 13th September, 1869.

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH ENGLAND.

On Tuesday, the 14th September, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.



THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. GOLCONDA, (1,909 tons, and 400 H. P.,) Captain A. Coleman, will LEAVE FOR SUEZ as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Genoa, Barcelona and Havre, Liverpool, or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 11 A.M. on Monday, the 13th instant.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the new Dock Head at Mazagon for the convenience of Passengers at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

ALFRED PARISH, Actg. Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Rampart Row, Bombay,
7th September, 1869.

NOTICES.

MESSRS. M. B. COHEN & Co., Shipping and General Commission Agents, No. 8, Meadow Street, entrance Bell Lane.

29th January 1869. M. B. COHEN & Co.

N. B.—Orders from Up-country promptly attended to.

MUSICAL BOXES, JEWELLERY, CLOCKS.—Our stock has been replenished, and offers the most complete assortment desirable.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

WARRANTED WATCHES.—All Gold and Silver Watches of every description and size manufactured by us, and fitted with the latest improvements, are warranted to purchasers for the term of 1, 2, or 3 years.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

KEYLESS WATCHES.—For which the undersigned have also obtained the only first class Prize Medal at the Broach Exhibition. This watch is pronounced by competent judges to be the most practical and best time-keeper ever produced.

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RS. 50 SILVER WATCH.—The only first class Prize Medal was obtained by the undersigned at the late Broach Exhibition for this Watch: its durability and excellent way of keeping time cannot be surpassed at the price.

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T. CHATELAIN MONTANDON,
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Agent for Hy. Grandjean & Co., Locle (Switzerland), and London (47 Friday Street). Received Medals at all the great Exhibitions, Silver Medal at the Paris Exhibition of 1867.

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Up-country Station orders punctually attended to.

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STEAM TO LIVERPOOL, LONDON, TRIESTE, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, VENICE, NAPLES, LEGHORN, GENOA, BARCELONA, HAVRE, ADEN, AND SUEZ.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company, under arrangements with other first class lines of Steamers from Alexandria, undertake to give through Bills of Lading for Goods via Egypt to the above and most other Continental Ports.

A limited number of passengers can be accommodated.

Rates of Fare.

To Suez—1st class £40, 2nd class £25. } Exclusive
To Trieste—1st class £53, 2nd class £34. } of Wines.

Steamers will leave Bombay every four weeks.

For Freight or Passage apply to Messrs. Stephen, Kennard & Co., London; Messrs. Tod, Kennard & Co., Liverpool; Messrs. Tod, Rathborne & Co., Alexandria; Austrian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company, Trieste and Venice; Messrs. Fraissinet Pere et Fils, Marseilles; and Messrs. R. Rubattino and Co., Genoa; or to the undersigned in Bombay.

The s. s. KRISHNA, 1,200 Tons, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 29th September.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Will be Published early To-morrow Morning.

BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

The Bombay Gazette Overland Summary, prepared for despatch by each Overland Mail for Europe, contains, in addition to all the News of the Week, a specially-written Market and Freight Report, and a well-digested Summary of Events.

Annual Subscription (in advance) Rs. 12
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"Bombay Gazette" Office, Medow Street, Fort.

Will be Published To-morrow Morning.

THE BOMBAY PRICE CURRENT AND SUMMARY OF TRADE,

Published once a fortnight at the *Bombay Gazette* Office, on the departure of every alternate Mail for Europe.

The Bombay Price Current contains:—

A Specially-Written Market Report.
Freight Report, with statement of Ships chartered, &c.
Export Manifests of Vessels which have sailed during the Fortnight.
Quotations of Imports and Exports, and Customs' Duties.
Comparative Summary of Exports from Bombay, up to date, as per Ships' Manifests, with the total Exports for the three months, and for the same period as far back as 1868.
Comparative Summaries of Imports of Piece Goods and of Yarns into Bombay from Great Britain up to date, with the total for the three months and the same period as far back as 1869 and 1859 respectively.
Share List and Rates of Exchange.
List of Vessels in Bombay Harbour on the date of publication, and of arrivals and departures of Vessels during the fortnight.

Annual Subscription (in advance).....Rs. 10
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OVERLAND CARGO.—The s. s. SALSETTE has brought the CARGOES of the following Vessels:—

ACCELERATED CARGO Ex
s. s. NYANZA, from Southampton, 14th August.
„ DELTA, from Marseilles, 22nd August.

UNACCELERATED CARGO Ex
„ DELHI, from Southampton, 7th August.
„ MASSILIA, from Marseilles, 14th August.
„ MINIA, from Liverpool, 8th August (Part Cargo.)

The remainder of the MINIA'S Cargo would leave Suez, per ELLORA, about 2nd instant.

ALFRED PARISH,
Acting Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, 11th September, 1869.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per ship TEESDALE, Captain Scarrow, from London, are requested to send off Boats for their Goods without delay, otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain as they come to hand, at the expense and risk of the concerned.

Captain Scarrow will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it leaves the Ship's deck.

STENHOUSE & Co.,
Agents Ship Teesdale.

CARWAR COMPANY (Limited).—An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at Elphinstone Circle, on MONDAY, the 27th day of September, instant, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of electing Directors to fill the vacancies and to appoint Auditors.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 11th September, 1869.

MOFUSSIL PRESS and GINNING COMPANY (Limited).—The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at Elphinstone Circle, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of September, 1869, at 3 P.M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive and adopt the Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 30th June, 1869.

2nd.—To confirm the election of Directors already made, and to appoint a Director in room of Mr. Kessowjee Naik, who retires by rotation.

3rd.—To elect Auditors, and fix their remuneration.

4th.—To consider and discuss a scheme for the reconstruction of the Company.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 11th September, 1869.

BINOCULAR AND FIELD GLASSES.

SOUNDY & Co. beg to call the attention of the Public to their list of Binoculars, which are of the best quality and made in a variety of styles adapted for presentation.

"Everybody's" Binocular, a Portable Instrument of great power, covered with morocco in morocco case .....Rs. 15
The new "Conical" Pattern Binocular, metal casing, covered with morocco in morocco case ..... „ 30
Ditto Ditto small size, with elegant gilt mounts. „ 35
Ditto Ditto large size... ..... „ 40
The "Emperor's" Binocular, the most perfect that has been produced, metal casing, covered with russian leather in strong leather case..... „ 70
The "Universal" Binocular with three transposing sights for "Field," "Marine," and "Theatre," in black leather case..... „ 60
Ditto Ditto, elegantly mounted in Gold or Silver „ 70
Electro-plate ..... „
The prices quoted are for Cash with Order.

CLARET, Rs. 10 to Rs. 18 per doz. qts.
Do. „ 6 „ 7-8 pts.
Port Wine, old Oporto Wine, for invalids, at Rs. 20 per dozen.
Sherry, Pale dry Wine, at Rs. 20 per dozen.
Bass' Beer by Cameron and Sanders, qts. 5-12 per dozen.
Ditto ditto do. pts. 3-8 „
Guinness's Stout do. do. qts. 5-12 „
Ditto do. do. pts. 3-8 „
Beer and Stout in casks containing 4 doz. qts. and 8 doz. pts.

9, Humphrey Street, Fort. J. NEUBERG.

SALE BY AUCTION.—On FRIDAY, the 17th instant, Messrs. BOMANJEE DOSSABHOY & Co. will SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their Rooms, in Meadow Street, the handsome HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PLATED, GLASS, and PORCELAIN WARES, &c., of Messrs. S. Giles and R. Brown, proceeded to Europe and Up-country;—the same comprising glassware, handsome dinner and dessert services, best plated ware, such as hotwater curry dishes, dish cover, tea set, salvers, ice pitcher, coffee urn, bread basket, pickle and liqueur frames, table and chamber candlesticks, &c., &c.; the handsomely open carved blackwood household furniture, consisting of round and camp, dining, circular, pier, sofa, writing, lady's work, card, double and single washing and dressing tables, easy chairs, arm, low, drawing, and dining-room chairs; conversation and half back couches with silk lining and springs, teapoys, sideboards, English mahogany walnuts, hatstands, wardrobe, bureau, and bedsteads (spenses, English iron double bed-stead with mattrasses and curtain, camp cot and Cleopatra couches, a double-barrelled gun in case by Westly Richards, a gold double case watch by Benn, plated hanging argand and table reading lamps, mahogany dressing glasses, table ornaments, and sundries.

BOMANJEE DOSSABHOY & Co.

11th September, 1869.

SALE of LANDED PROPERTY by PUBLIC AUCTION.

On SATURDAY next, the 18th day of September, 1869, Messrs. SUDDANUND SHRICHISTNAJEE and Co. will SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the premises, at 4 P.M., by order of the mortgagee, Mr. Gunput Manekjee Patell, and on account and risk of the mortgagors, Toolseyram Wittoba Thora, Ranjee Wittoba Thora, and Bhiccajee Wittoba Thora, all that right, title, and interest in the piece or parcel of land or ground, together with the messuage, tenement, dwelling-house or premises standing thereon, admeasuring five hundred and ten square yards or thereabouts, situate, lying, and being on the western side of Omercurry Street, without the Fort of Bombay, near Old Jail, on the fazendaree ground belonging to Memon Rahimtoolla Ahmed, within the subdistrict of Oomercurry, and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the east by the Oomercurry Row and a charitable house of the Muratti Punch and a Hindoo Temple, on or towards the west by the house of one Tatia and a public gutter, on or towards the north by a public passage and two houses, one of Wittoba Putara and one of Bhima Wyaker, and on or towards the south by the house of one Balloo Mcaya; also all that house and premises situate, lying, and being on the north-west side of Mallaryackhadee, on the fazendaree ground belonging to the Honourable Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, in the subdistrict of Mazagon, admeasuring thirty feet and six inches in length, and ten feet in breadth, or ( ) square yards, be the same little more or less, and which said premises is assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 75, and bounded as follows:—On or towards the north by a vacant ground and now belonging to Meliqo Sapoonjee Parsee, and on or towards the south by a house belonging to a Portuguese named Rooman. For further particulars apply to the undersigned and Messrs. Suddanund Shrichistnajee & Co., Auctioneers, Forbes Street.—Dated this 11th day of September, 1869. MACFARLANE & GREEN,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee.

VELOCIPEDES of every description, for Gentlemen, Ladies, and Children. Best forged steel, with brake, and best Hickory Wheels. The French Velocipede Company, through their English Manufacturers, offer the very best Velocipedes at prices from £10 to £14. Liberal terms to Importers. The Export and Shipping Department is under the care of Tangye Brothers & Holman, of 10, Laurence Pountney Lane, London. The English Wholesale Agents are S. & E. Hansome & Co. All communications to be made to the General Manager A. DAVIS, 14, Strand, London. Trade Mark, a Bicycle.

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BISHOP'S GRANULAR EFFERVESCENT CITRATE OF MAGNESIA,
INTRODUCED AND PREPARED BY
ALFRED BISHOP, Manufacturing Chemist,
17 and 18, Peck's Fields, Mile-end New Town, London.

This perfectly white and delicately clean granulated preparation possesses remarkable effervescent qualities, which far surpasses the ordinary Seidlitz Powder in its cooling, refreshing, and mild aperient properties, as well as in its flavour as a saline draught. It is particularly well adapted for women and young children, on account of its most agreeable flavour and mild effect.

N.B.—The genuine has the name of Bishop upon the Bottle, also the Name and Trade Mark upon the Label, and is sold in convenient sizes and secured in so perfect a manner that it may be shipped with safety to any part of the world.

Manufacturer also of Granulated and Effervescent Carbonate of Iron, Citrate of Iron, Citrate of Quinine, Citrate of Quinine and Iron, Carbonate of Lithia in Tubes, Citrate of Lithia Vichy Salt, Seidlitz Mixture, and all other Granulated Preparations.

In Chancery.—Caution.—Bishop's Granular Effervescent Citrate of Magnesia.—Mr. Bishop, having discovered that the Label which he has used for the last five years was being imitated, recently applied to the Court of Chancery for an Injunction to restrain such imitation. The Injunction was immediately granted, and the Defendant was ordered to pay all Mr. Bishop's Costs and destroy the Labels complained of.

Also,—Bishop's New Remedy for Sea-sickness. Should be in the hands of every person travelling by Sea.

Agents for Western India.—TREACHER & Co.

NOTICES.

NEW BANK of BOMBAY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that the BANK, GENERAL TREASURY, GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK, and PUBLIC DEBT OFFICE will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 18th, to WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant (both days inclusive), for the PAPETI and PARSEE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

By order of the Board of Directors,
M. BALFOUR,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 4th September, 1869.

NOTICE.—The undermentioned Banks will be closed from SATURDAY, the 18th, to WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant (both days inclusive), for the PAPETI and PARSEE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS:—

For the Oriental Bank Corporation,
J. F. MOIR, Agent.
For the Chartered Mercantile Bank of I. L. and China,
ROBT. CAMPBELL, Agent.
For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China,
JAMES DOUGLAS, Agent.
For the Comptoir D'Escompte de Paris,
E. J. HARDCASTLE, Manager.
For the National Bank of India (Limited),
JAMES WINDRAM, Manager
For the Agra Bank (Limited),
EDWARD MORRISS, Manager.
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
R. STEVENSON, Agent.

Bombay, 2nd September, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the FIRM of Messrs LIMJEE DINSHAW & Co., of No. 2,467 East Street, Poona, have CLOSED their BUSINESS. All persons who are indebted to the said Firm are requested to pay their respective DEBTS within one month from this date; and all persons having claims against the said Firm are requested to send in and receive their respective claims within the said one month from this date. —Dated this 28th day of August 1869.

LIMJEE DINSHAW & Co.

NOTICE.—The GOVERNMENT FOREST RIGHTS in all Mahalkie Nos. of the Cullian Talooka will be submitted to SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION, at Cullian, on MONDAY, the 27th September, 1869, at 2-30 P.M.

The Wood to be sold comprises Teak Rafters, &c., and offers inducements to dealers in firewood.

Particulars as to the average amount of Wood, &c., for sale can be had on application at the Collector's Office, Tanna.

J. W. ROBERTSON,
Acting Collector.

Tanna Collector's Office, 5th August, 1869.

THE ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.—The Committee appointed to watch the interests of the Policy-holders in the above Company, beg to invite all POLICY-HOLDERS in the Bombay Presidency, to COMMUNICATE with the Committee, and to empower them by power to act on their behalf, and also to remit their Subscription, at the rate of Rs. 2 per every thousand rupees insured by them, to E. Morris, Esq., Manager of the Agra Bank, where an account will be opened in the name of the Committee. The proxy to be signed, &c. at the office of Messrs. Manisty and Hurrell.

G. A. SUMMERS,
Secretary to the Committee.

Bombay, 30th August, 1869.

NOTICE.—THE ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY having SUSPENDED PAYMENT in accordance with a Criterion resolved from Head Office, London, PREMIA payable at this Branch will still CONTINUE to be RECEIVED by the undersigned, on behalf of the Provisional Liquidator authorized by the Court of Chancery to receive the same, but such Premia will be returned on 1st January 1870 should re-construction or arrangements with another Company be not carried out.

By order of Directors,
D. McL. SLATER, Secretary,
For Provisional Liquidator.

Bombay, 19th August, 1869.

NATIONAL BANK of INDIA (Limited).
Bombay Agency.

The following are the Bank's drawing rates for the Outgoing Mail:—

On London at 6 months' sight	1/11 3/8	per Rupee.
„ 4 do.	1/11 1/2	„
„ 3 do.	1/11 7/16	„
„ 2 do.	1/11 5/8	„
„ 1 do.	1/11 5/16	„
„ Demand	1/11 1/4	„
On Scotland and Ireland	1/11 3/16	„

JAMES WINDRAM, Manager.

National Bank of India, Bombay, 10th September, 1869.

NOTICE.—APPLICATIONS will be received by the undersigned for the OCCUPATION, from the 5th proximo, of PLOTS of GROUND at the Cotton Green at Colaba. A deposit of Rs. 100 for each Plot should accompany the applications. This amount will be forfeited in case of any evasion or delay in signing the Deed of Agreement or paying the full amount of rent in advance before the 5th idem.

2. Railway Sidings are shortly to be made through the Cotton Green.

3. Further particulars may be learnt on application to
KAHANDAS MUNCHARAM,
Executive Engineer, Presidency.

Executive Engineer's Office, Bombay, 7th September, 1869.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned, up to noon on SATURDAY, the 18th instant, for the REPAIR of the Barque NIGHT HAWK, in accordance with the recommendations of the Marine Surveyors.

Tenders to include the cost of taking the ship from her present moorings into Dry Dock, dock dues, cost of labour and materials, and all other expenses incurred while in Dock, and the cost of transporting the ship from the Dock to a safe berth in the Harbour. No claim over and above the amount of the Tender will be afterwards admitted in respect of extras. A copy of the Surveyors' Report can be seen, and all information obtained, by application to the Captain on board.

A deposit of Rs. 1,000 will be required on acceptance of the Tender, that amount to be forfeited in case of failure on the part of the Contractor to fulfil the terms of the contract.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents, Captain and Owners Barque Night Hawk.

NOTICE.—HENRY S. KING & CO.'S (late SMITH, ELDER, & Co.'s) Calcutta Agency.

Messrs. Henry S. King & Co. of London have the pleasure to announce that they have established a Branch Firm in Calcutta, under the style of King, Hamilton, & Co., by whom their Agency in that place will in future be conducted.

WITH reference to the above, Messrs. Anstruther & Co. have from this date ceased to act as the Agents and Attorneys of Messrs. Henry S. King & Co., London, and the Power of Attorney hitherto held by them from Mr. Henry Samuel King has been cancelled.

HENRY SAMUEL KING,
By his Attorney Charles Danks.

Calcutta, 1st September, 1869.

KING, HAMILTON, & Co.,

HAVE the pleasure to announce, with reference to the above Notices, that they have taken Offices at No. 7, Hare Street, where they will in future conduct the Agency of Messrs. Henry S. King & Co. (late Smith, Elder, & Co.), East India, Army, and Civil Service Agents, London.

All communications addressed to them will receive prompt attention.

Orders and remittances for the London Firm received, and transmitted by every Mail.

Or lers from Up-country for execution in Calcutta carefully attended to.

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AUX VILLES DE FRANCE,
HUMMUM STREET, FORT.

MESSRS. MEIFFRE NEVEU & Co. have the pleasure to inform the Ladies and Gentlemen of Bombay, that they have opened the above Establishment for the SALE of all kinds of MILLINERY, HOSIERY, &c., of which they receive large supplies by every mail, at the lowest possible prices, which are much below those of any other house in Bombay.

Ladies desirous of visiting this Establishment will find a large assortment of Silks, Hats, Bonnets, Fabrics, &c.; also all descriptions of Ladies' requirements, from the best houses in London and Paris. Gentlemen will also meet with a large selection of Hosiery, Umbrellas, &c., &c. at very moderate prices.

Messrs. Meiffre Neveu and Co. also beg to inform the Ladies of Bombay, that on and after the 1st October 1869 their business will be carried on at No. 6, Hummum Street, being the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. Neuberg, and now undergoing very extensive alterations for the receipt of their large Overland Shipments during the ensuing cold season.

MEIFFRE NEVEU & Co.

THE POONA HOTEL.
(Close to the Poona Boating Club.)
BY JEWANJEE & Co., PROPRIETORS OF BYCULLA HOTEL.

JEWANJEE & Co. have the pleasure to intimate to the Gentry of Bombay and Poona that the above Hotel has now been OPENED, and is already being largely patronised.

The Hotel is pleasantly situated near the Bund, the Compound running down to the River's side. The Hotel is close to the Poona Boating Club's premises, and the crews practise in front of the Hotel. It is a spacious, commodious, new building, and has been fitted up in a style, regardless of expense, so that the comforts of Visitors may be ensured.

Poona, 1st July, 1869. JEWANJEE & Co.

REDUCTION OF RATES.

BYCULLA HOTEL, at the Junction of the Bellasis and Clare Roads, Byculla.

Jewanjee and Co., in thanking their numerous Patrons for their support, and soliciting a continuance of their favours, beg to state that they have REDUCED their CHARGES to FIVE RUPEES per DAY, till 15th September, 1869, for Travellers, Visitors, and Permanent Lodgers.

Under the present Management this Hotel is acknowledged to be the best in Bombay. It was built at great cost expressly for an Hotel, and fitted up and furnished in the most complete manner regardless of expense, so as to ensure the comfort of Visitors and Residents. It is well adapted both for Families and Gentlemen, and at the Reduced Rates will be found a pleasant and economical residence even for Gentlemen residing permanently in Bombay. It is pleasantly and conveniently situated, being within five minutes' drive of the principal Station of the G. I. P. Railway and B. B. & C. I. Railway, and at a short distance from the landing places of the Harbour.

The Dining Hall is the largest in Bombay, and the Sitting and Sleeping Rooms are replete with every convenience. The strictest regard is paid to cleanliness throughout the Establishment.

The Table is abundantly supplied with the very best Viands, and the Culinary Department is under the immediate supervision of the Proprietors.

The Wines, Spirits, and Beer are selected from the most celebrated Houses in London and the Continental Markets.

There are also several First Class Billiard Tables, and the Proprietors would commend their establishment to the notice both of Travellers and Residents.

Byculla Hotel, 2nd July, 1869.

ISAAC BROWN,
SHIP AND HOUSE PLUMBER, PAINTER, GLAZIER, GASFITTER, BELL HANGER, PAPER HANGER, and GENERAL DECORATOR.
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AND BRASS AND IRON CASTINGS UNDERTAKEN.

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CUTLER, PALMER, & Co.,
WINE MERCHANTS
TO
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
AND
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

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Established in Bombay in the Year 1842,
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LONDON HOUSES { Wholesale and for Export only—Tower Bonded Vaults, Retail—Charing Cross Railway Arches.
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China,	Colombo,	New Zealand,	
Calcutta,	Karrachee,	Manilla,	
Madras,	New York,	New Orleans.	

WE respectfully solicit a continuance of the commands of Messrs. GENERAL MERCHANTS, and EUROPEAN RESIDENTS of WESTERN INDIA, to whom, from the extensive nature of our business, we can offer better terms and better value than any other House in Bombay.

Being IMPORTERS on the LONDON and BORDEAUX Markets, we are, of necessity, in the most favourable position to supply the public with genuine Wines and Spirits on favourable terms, and from our experience, derived from over FIFTY YEARS' trading in them, we confidently assert our ability to please all tastes, and we solicit comparison with competitors' Brands at our quotations.

We subjoin our LIST OF SELECTED WINES for this market, and beg to intimate—

1st. That we cannot execute orders for less than 1 dozen quarts, or 2 dozen pints of either one of them, Liqueurs excepted: these in not less quantities than 1 dozen pints or quarts.

2nd. That our Wines and Spirits are procurable from every respectable General Shopkeeper in Bombay and at Out-stations; they, however, fix their own selling prices for them.

3rd. That our quotations are for delivery from our Godowns, where full examination of all Still Wines prior to delivery is allowed, but we do not take the risk of subsequent breakage.

4th. That our advertised quotations for all Sparkling Wines do not provide for the rejection of ullaged or broken bottles likely to be found in Cases, on arrival, after a long sea voyage. We guarantee each Case to contain its full complement of sound Bottles at time of shipment, but cannot guarantee loss arising from atmospheric or climatic influences; we take this risk by adding Rs. 4 per dozen quarts, and Rs. 2½ per dozen pints to our quotations.

Our Sparkling Wines are not to be equalled at our quotations; we invite comparison.

CLARETS.
(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

		Qts. per doz.	Pts. per doz.
A 1—Chateau Latour or Mouton. Gold Capsule, Labelled & Branded		Rs. 30	Rs. 16
Chateau Rauzan,	Black capsule,	„ 25	„ 14
Chateau Leoville,	Blue capsule,	„ 22	„ 12
Chateau Palmer,	Blue capsule,	„ 22	„
Chateau Larose,	Yellow capsule,	„ 18	„ 10
St. Julien,	Green capsule,	„ 17	„ 10
Medoc,	Red capsule,	„ 15	„ 9
Medoc,	White capsule,	„ 13	„
Sauterne,	Red capsule,	„ 22	„

BURGUNDIES—RED AND WHITE.
(Very Choice—Our own Brand and Shipping.)

Chamberetin, Labelled and Branded	Rs. 32	Rs. 17
Nuits, ditto	„ 26	„
Macon, ditto	„ 21	„
Chablis, ditto	„ 22	„

CHAMPAGNES.
The finest DRY CHAMPAGNES that can be shipped.
(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

Magnums, Finest Dry	Labelled	Rs. 74
Finest Dry Sparkling, Gold Foil,	„	„ 36 / Rs. 19
Fine Sparkling, Silver Foil	„	„ 32 / „ 17
Good Sparkling, / Silver Foil	„	„ 27 / „ 14
for Ball purposes /		

GERMAN WINES.
(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

Nonpareil Sparkling Hock and Moselle, Gold foil, Labelled and Branded	Rs. 36	to 19
Sparkling Hock and Muscatel Moselle, Silver foil	„ 32	„ 17
Moselle, Still, Marcobrunner	„ 36	„
„ Johannisberger	„ 42	„
„ Forster Traminer	„ 34	„
„ Rudesheimer	„ 26	„
„ Hochheimer	„ 23	„

SHERRIES.
Specially selected for tropical consumption.
(Our own Brand.)

Amontillado, very choice and superior	Rs. 32	0
Amoroso, very choice, full flavored, soft, pale	„ 28	0
Sherry, Green seal, full bodied, light gold colour, nutty and dry	„ 22	0
do. Blue seal, very pale and dry and delicate	„ 22	0
do. Brown seal, pale dry and delicate	„ 22	0
do. Yellow seal, pale and dry, an excellent Dinner Wine	„ 18	8
do. White seal, ordinary Dinner Wine	„ 15	0
Massala, Virgin Pale	„ 15	8
Madeira, East India (one voyage) very choice	„ 33	0

PORTS.
(Our own Brand.)

	Qts.	Pts.
A 1 Gold seal, an luvalid's Wine, full and fruity. Trade mark	Rs. 30	0
Black seal, a Dessert Wine—mature	„ 24	8 14 0

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

MARKET firm, without much change.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomi. value of sh.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	10 p.ct.	Agra Bank	par.
22,000	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1100
10,000	500	all	6 p.ct.	Ditto of Bombay New	607½
10,000	500	100		Ditto 2nd Res. Issue	205
5,250	1,000	all	12 p.ct.	Ditto of Madras	1,900
30,000	250	all	6 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. L. & China	225
40,000	200	all	6 do.	Chartered Bk. of L. & C.	210
12,500	500	250	8 do.	Delhi and London	200
37,000	250	125	8 do.	National Bank of India	142
60,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	425

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	Rs. 85	Colaba Land Co.	1710
10,000	1,000	all	Rs. 30	Elphinstone Land	1020
10,500	1,000	650	„ 11-14	Do. New	660
8,000	150	all	Nil	Freze Land & Pier Co. Ld	210
2,000	5,000	4,100	Nil	Mazagon Land	1240
5,000	2,000	1,300	Nil	Port Canning	290

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	£20	218.3.0	5 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	227
...	£20	196.8.8	do.	Do. New £20 shares	198
...	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.	1120
...	£18	196.5.1	do.	Do. New Shares	Par.

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

400	2,000	1,700	50	Albert Mills Co.	875
800	2,500	all	50	Alliance Spinning	1,725
100	5,500	all	...	Bombay	2,900
900	1,000	all	10 p.c.	Bombay United	765
600	500	all	12 p.c.	Bycoolah Mills	220
300	5,000	all	...	Coorla Spinning	1,950
750	5,000	all	300	Great Eastern	1500
2,500	1,000	all	30	Manockji Petit's	680
600	2,500	all	...	Oriental	1,225
600	2,500	2,300	...	Royal	1,400

...72S CALCUTTA, 1869.

...is hereby given that Twelve hundred ... Bonds, bearing ... Interest ... Rupees ... Rupees ... Rupees

POONA RACES.

(BY SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

SECOND DAY, SATURDAY, Sept. 11.

THE HON'BLE MR. MANSFIELD'S PURSE—
H. H. Aga Khan's Khusroo.

H. H. AGA KHAN'S PURSE—
H. H. Aga Khan's Shere Ali.

THE WELTER—
Captain Dent's Pioneer.

THE NAWAB OF BEYLA'S CUP—
H. H. Aga Khan's Nicholas.

THE AUCTION STAKES—
Mr. Field's Albourne.

Appended is the card of the above day's races :—

1ST RACE.—The Deccan Sweepstakes. 400 rupees from the fund, added to a sweepstakes of 25 G. M., H F., for all horses. Weight for age. 1½ mile.

Major Crosbie's ..... bn, hn. h. Hungarian.

2ND RACE.—Thousand Rupees Purse, presented by the Honourable S. Mansfield. For all Arabs. Weight 8 stones. Winner of one season to carry 5lbs. extra, of two seasons 10lbs., of more 1 stone. Maidens, expect the winner of the Derby, allowed 5lbs. A Sweepstakes of 20 G. M. for each horse declared to start. One mile and three quarters.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Field's ..... b a h Sunbeam ...	8	5 Hackney.
Mr. Abdool Rayman's g a h Grey Beard.	8	5 J. Brewtey.
H. H. Aga Khan's ... g a h Khusroo.....	8	10 Syed.

3RD RACE.—His Higness Aga Khan's Purse. Value Rs. 500. For all Maiden Arabs. Weight for age. Winner of the Derby to carry 4 lbs. extra. A Sweepstakes of 10 G. M. for each horse declared to start. One mile and a half.

	st. lbs.	
Mr. Field's ..... g a h Pioneer	8	12 Chapman.
" ..... b a h The Aga, late Challenge.	8	12 Hackney.
Major Crosbie's ..... g a h Blue Beard.	8	12 Emaum.
H. Abdool Wahab's. b a h Young Secundar. ...	9	3 Challoner
H. H. Aga Khan's ... b a c Shere Ali.	8	8 W. Brewtey.

4TH RACE.—The Welter. Rs. 400 from the fund. For all horses. 10st. 7lbs. Maidens allowed 7lbs. R. C. G. R.

	st. lbs	
Captain Dent's.....bn aus h Pioneer ...	10	7 Mr. Jones.
The Queen's Own..... bw m Milliner ..	10	7 Ct. Stack.

5TH RACE.—A Cup, value 500 Rs., presented by the Nawab of Beyla. For all Arabs. Weight for age. Maidens allowed 7lbs. One mile.

	st. lbs	
Mr. Jones's ..... b a h Antalo.....	9	3 Livesey.
Major Crosbie's ..... g a p Electric ...	7	11
Mr. Field's ..... g a c Glencoe ...	7	11 Chapman.
" ..... g a c Grey Warrior	7	11 Comer.
H. H. Aga Khan's ... g a h Nicholas ...	8	5 W. Brewtey.
Captain Charles n's... g a h Nadershah..	8	13 Owner.

6TH RACE.—The Auction Stakes. Rs. 300 from the fund. For all horses. R C. Rs. 1,200 to carry 11st 7lbs—7lbs allowed for every one hundred rupees. The winner to be put up to auction immediately after the race. Any surplus above the selling price to go to the fund.

	st. lbs	
Mr. Bluebirt's .....b aus g The lively-spin	9	4 Cpt. Charles
H. H. Aga Khan's...b aus g Speculation	9	4 W. Brewtey.
Major Chesshyre's .... c a h Shahab.....	8	7 Cpt. Stack.
Captain Dent's ..... c w c Consul	9	11 Livesey.
Mr. Field's ..... bw g Albourne ...	10	11 Hackney.

COLONEL CRAWFORD'S SCHEME.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—May we ask you kindly to insert the accompanying extracts of letters relating to Colonel Crawford's Castra Association, for the information of those of your readers who are interested in the project ?

Major Dumbleton's letter, we think, will be read with some interest as confirming Colonel Crawford's statements, who, if he has erred in over-estimating the difficulties, has at least thereby shown his sincerity of purpose.

From the plan sent us by the Surveyor-General it would appear that the road from the port of Ulverstone is planked to within three miles of the boundary of Castra, and these three miles are now in course of formation, culverted, and drained, so that when this is finished there will be little fear of our suffering for want of communication, and when Parliament next meet they will have to decide how far the road is to be completed within the Castra district.

The information that land on the N. W. coast readily finds purchasers is also encouraging, as showing that it must be of some value. Should circumstances prevent any of our members from going to Tasmania, there will evidently be no difficulty in getting rid of their allotments.—Yours, &c., CASTRA & Co.

11th September.

Extract from a letter from the Surveyor-General, Tasmania; dated Hobart Town, 15th July 1869.

I beg to acquaint you that on inquiry at the office of the Director of Public Works I learn that the plank road is still actively in progress, and take leave to send you a plan showing how far the plank road is carried, and have also indicated the point to which existing contracts will enable the Director to proceed with opening the road, though it will not be planked beyond the 8th mile from Ulverstone under present contracts, which will absorb the parliamentary grant.

(Signed,) J. E. CALDER,
Surveyor-General.

Extract from a letter from Major Dumbleton ; dated Launceston, 15th July 1869.

I went on in the Mails to Sydney, remained there a fortnight and then came on to Melbourne and from thence to Launceston, which place I reached on the 29th ultimo. It is a very quiet place like an out-of-the-way seaport town in England. There are no houses to be had for rent, as I had expected, there being plenty both at Sydney and Melbourne, but I have got into very comfortable lodgings and very reasonable. A married man would be charged from £3 to £4 a week according to whether he boarded with the family or not, and would have a good bed-room and sitting-room. It is the custom here to breakfast at 9, dine at 2, and tea at 6 ; and even at the hotels the landlord and family dine with the guests,—in fact have all their meals with them. I have not been over to see Crawford yet. I intended to have done so ere this, and to have trained a good price. There is no difficulty in getting labour at 8 shillings a week and board. The country people seem to be all quiet, well-behaved fellows, and able to turn their hands to any kind of farm work. A man here has to work, and work hard, for his living. From what I have seen, and from inquiries made, I feel certain that every confidence may be placed in what Col. Crawford has put before the public in his pamphlet, it is a most fair and truthful report of the country ; if anything, perhaps he has overdone the difficulties that would beset the man coming here from India with a view to settling. There is capital fishing both at the Forth and Torquay. The climate at this time of the year is somewhat depressing. We have so much rain, like a wet November in England ; when we have a fine night there is always a sharp frost, even ice on the windows, but it all clears off by 10 o'clock. They say the summer is perfection. No hot winds, as in Victoria. People come over here a good deal from Australia in the summer to get out of the heat. I had a capital passage from Bombay to Sydney, 26 days. We were only detained four hours at Galle; there is not the slightest difficulty in getting about from the different ports in Australia. Steamers are constantly plying backward and forwards. There are no less than three between this and Melbourne, making about one trip each a week, and one direct from Sydney to Hobart Town. The fare is £9 from Sydney to Melbourne by the best steamer, and £5 shillings from Melbourne to Launceston, in each case paying for your own liquor. I have not written this with a view to publication, as I have not been to Castra or seen Colonel Crawford, but you are quite at liberty to do what you like with it. Direct to me to Launceston Post Office.—Yours &c.,

A. DUMBLETON.

AUSTRALIA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

MELBOURNE, 15TH AUGUST.

TELEGRAPHIC intelligence from England, via Adelaide was received on the 2nd, the mails being delivered on the 4th—again in advance of contract time.

The Land Bill has passed through committee with a few unimportant amendments, and will probably reach the Council next week.

In consequence of several complaints having been made in the Assembly with reference to alleged malpractices by members of Parliament at the Land Office, a select committee has been appointed to investigate the charges. Strong evidence has been given against two of the accused members.

Business has slightly improved during the month, but the markets are glutted. Exchange ¾ per cent. premium. Discount and Exchange are unaltered.

In New South Wales the most exciting item of the month is the discovery of a stone at Armadale, weighing 7 ounces, supposed to be a diamond. The gem has reached Sydney and is now lying at the Mint. No authentic report has yet been published as to its value. The yields from the gold-fields are increasing.

His Excellency Earl Belmore has been making a tour through the country during the month and has been enthusiastically received everywhere.

The American war steamer Kearsage arrived at Sydney on Thursday from Tahiti and Fiji. Prince Alfred had arrived at Tahiti and was received by a large assemblage of natives. His Royal Highness with the officers of the Galatea and Kearsage was present at a ball given by Queen Pomare in honour of his visit. The Galatea sailed for the Sandwich Islands on the 1st July.

Despatches from Fiji announce the settlement of the American claim by the Agent of the Polynesian Company and King Thakamban. The Somaon War had ceased ; the hostile natives having been driven into the interior.

Sir Richard Dry, Premier of Tasmania, and one of the most popular men in the island, died on the 2nd instant from heart disease.

In South Australia the Parliamentary session has commenced.

Governor Weld and family arrived at Adelaide on the 31st July, and will leave for Western Australia on Monday next by the branch mail steamer.

News from Queensland is unimportant.

In New Zealand, the movements of Tekooti have been such as to cause the greatest alarm, and the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington has visited Melbourne, and received the authority of Brigadier-General Chute to detain the regiments now in New Zealand. Tekooti endeavoured to obtain the co-operation of the Maori King, but failed, and was ordered to leave the Waikato territory.

THE COST OF A TOUR ROUND THE WORLD.

THE two best travellers' books on India are by Americans, by Bayard Taylor and Mr. Minchin. Another American, Charles Carleton Coffin, has just published *Our New Way Round the World*, in which many pages are devoted to India, its railways, cities, missions and people. It would seem, according to Mr. Coffin, that a voyage may now be made round the world for about £300.

New York to San Francisco	$,100
San Francisco to Shanghai	300
Hankow and return	100
Shanghai to Hongkong.....	75
To Canton, Macao, and return.....	30
Hongkong to Calcutta *via* Ceylon.....	350
Calcutta to Delhi, 2nd class	24
Return to Allahabad	10
Allahabad to Bombay	25
Bombay to Suez	300
Suez to Marseilles	90
Marseilles to London	20
London to New York.....	130
Total	$1,554

Excursions to Peking and Batavia are not included in this estimate. But, on the other hand, the full amount charged by the Peninsular and Oriental Company to Calcutta *via* Ceylon is included. If the Burmah route is taken the fare will be about the same, but if the traveller chooses the direct route from Singapore to Calcutta it will be $100 less. The statement is based on the supposition that the railroad will be completed from Allahabad to Bombay, and that the traveller will return from Delhi to Allahabad, and proceed across the country to Bombay instead of going on to Lucknow and down the Indus to Kurrachee and Bombay. If the last route is taken, about 100 must be added to the amount as already summed up. The cost by the direct route from Suez to London is given, first-class fare. But the tourist will be likely to visit Constantinople and Athens, and go up the Danube or the Adriatic, or pass round the southern shore of Italy to Naples, and proceed to Central Europe. A liberal estimate for fares in circumnavigating the globe will make the required amount from $1,800 to $2,000. To this must be added the cost of living when on shore.—*Friend of India.*

BOMBAY.

H. M. TROOPSHIP EUPHRATES has been hauled out of dock, and H. M. s. s. Earl Canning hauled into dock to clean and paint bottom.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.—It was reported on Saturday that the cable communication was imperfect between Bushire and Fao ; that the Turkish line was right to Constantinople ; and that the Persian line was right to Tabreez.

THE REV. R. G. WILDER, of the Kolapore Mission, has left for America with his family, in the hope of returning within six months. It is eight years since he came out last. He came out first in 1846.—*Bombay Guardian.*

DEATH FROM SNAKE-BITE.—On Friday last a Hindoo woman named Sala was bitten by a snake at Naigaum, and died in a few hours. It seems that some seven hours before her death the snake was observed passing over her belly while she was asleep and then disappeared.

DEATH OF MRS. (LIEUT.) MARTIN.—We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Martin (wife of Lieut. H. Martin, of the 24th N. I.) who left Bombay for England on the 10th Aug. by the steamer Salsette, died on the passage between Aden and Suez. She had been prematurely confined at Aden, and was suffering besides from dysentery and liver desease.

TWO HINDOO LADS DROWNED IN THE BHOLESHWUR TANK.—On Friday last a Coroner's inquest was held at the Mombadevi Chowkey concerning the deaths of two Hindoo lads, named, respectively, Rama Ooma and Fuckeera Mahstarjee. It appears that the boys went with a female relative of one of them to bathe in the Bholeshwur tank on Friday morning and were accidentally drowned. A mendicant Brahmin who saw them sink down went to their assistance, but it was of no avail. The jury found that the deceased had died by drowning.

DISTURBANCE IN THE BROKERS' HALL.—Last week, before the Chief Magistrate of Police, Nusserwanjee Dorabjee, a bill collector in the Income Tax Department, Mr. James D'Arcy, Inspector of Police, and RamaJAntojee, a policeman, obtained summonses against Framjee Bhickajee, a share broker,—the first charging him with assault, and the two others with resisting them whilst in the execution of their duty. The defendant Framjee also obtained summonses against the above named complainants, charging the Parsee collector with assault and wrongful confinement ; the police inspector with assault, and the policeman with using threatening and abusive language with intent to provoke a breach of the peace. All this is said to have occurred in the Brokers' Hall, when the officers went to the assistance of the bill collector. The case having been privately settled, the charges were withdrawn.

BANDORA FEAST.

THE annual feast and fair in connection with the Roman Catholic chapel on Bandora Hill was held yesterday. As usual, large number of people of all classes, creeds, and castes attended, but the heavy showers of rain which fell occasionally in the course of the day seemed effectually to damp the "festivity," and the fair was dull compared with last year. No change in the weather, however, seems to have the effect of lessening the number of customers who crowd the chapel, eager to purchase at the gorgeously tinselled altar the consecrated thread, a little bit of which tied round the wrist is supposed to be a sure protection against all harm, and the wax models of children, hands, feet, &c., and tapers, which are each presented at the shrine of the Virgin or the Saviour by the devout with special objects. There was a continuous throng at the altar purchasing these little articles, and the young boys who acted as vendors appeared to think it good fun, though like most natives they took care to make a good bargain out of any of the sahib logue who wished to make a purchase.

FORT POLICE COURT.—11TH SEPTEMBER.

(Before JOHN CONNON, Esq.)

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.—Henry Lawrence, a European, was charged with being drunk and disorderly yesterday, and was fined Rs. 20, or, in default, to be imprisoned with hard labour for fourteen days.

WEATHER REPORTS.

CARWAR, 12th, 8-59 A.M.—Weather fair, wind light variable, thermometer 79, barometer 29·99, rainfall 1 inch 5 cents.

VINGORLA, 12th, 10 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind south moderate, thermometer 84, rainfall 89 cents.

CANNANORE, 12th, 10 A.M.—Weather clear, wind north-west moderate, thermometer 77, barometer 29·960

TELEGRAPH LINE REPORTS.

KURRACHEE, 12th, 2-17 P.M.—Cable communication imperfect between Bushire and Fao ; Turkish line interrupted beyond Semarah ; and Persian line right to Tabreez. Latest dates from Great Britain, via Turkey, 9th September, via Russia 16th August.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 8 P.M. of the 11th to 8 P.M. of the 12th September is as follows :—

To Bombay	Max.	Min.
From Kurrachee .....one message in 13 mints.		
" Calcutta 10	15	3 45

Communication between Bombay and Kurrachee perfect.

Undelivered messages in the Bombay Signal Office—
For G. Wyatt, from Calcutta.
For Veerchund, from Calicut.

THE LATE MR. W. G. DUNLOP.

THE following letter was addressed on the 27th ultimo by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, to the Secretary to Government :—

Sir,—It is with deep regret I have to report, for the information of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, the death yesterday of Mr. W. H. G. Dunlop, Deputy Commissioner of Water Police. It would appear that he accidently fell into the sea out of one of the stern windows of the police hulk, and was drowned before assistance could reach him. An inquest was held on view of the body, and the following verdict returned :—" The deceased met his death by drowning. There is no evidence to show how he fell into the water, but from the evidence heard there is reason to believe the deceased must have had a sudden fit and in this state fell through the window."

At this sudden and unfortunate close of a long and honourable career, I deem it my duty to remind Government of this officer's past services. Mr. Dunlop joined the late Indian Navy in 1839, I believe, and held the rank of master therein at the time he was transferred to the Bombay Water Police in 1844. In the latter year, in consequence of the astounding discoveries which had been then recently made as to the organised systems of plunder, almost amounting to piracy, by the notorious bunder gang, Government determined on establishing a body of water police, and selected Mr. Dunlop to organize and command it. How well he performed the task entrusted to him, the criminal returns of this great port have ever since most satisfactorily shown. The harbour, instead of being as it previously was a hot-bed of ever-fructifying vice and crime, has become the quietest division of my charge, and crime of any moment therein is now rare. Unceasing in his anxious care for the perfect discharge of his important duties, courteous and obliging to all with whom he came in contact, the deceased officer has left behind him an official void which it will be difficult so efficiently to fill.—I have, &c.,

F. H. SOUTER,
Commissioner of Police.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.—The Right Honourable the Governor in Council has received with much regret the report of the death of this meritorious public servant.

RAIN FALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In.	Cts.	Fort. In.	Cts.	Colaba. In.	Cts.
Sept. 5th Sunday	0	56	0	7	0	4
" 6th Monday	0	15	0	19	0	36
" 7th Tuesday ...	0	10	0	0	0	2
" 8th Wednesday.	0	0	0	0	0	1
" 9th Thursday ...	0	10	0	0	0	1
" 10th Friday	0	8	1	17	0	1
" 11th Saturday ...	0	46	0	0	0	14
For the week	1	45	0	43	0	59
Previously Registered.	91	27	104	31	69	49
Total fall	92	72	104	74	70	8

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

(Before the Hon'ble the CHIEF JUSTICE, and the Hon'ble Messrs. WARDEN, GIBBS, LLOYD, and MELVILL.)

AN IMPORTANT APPLICATION UNDER THE BOMBAY CIVIL COURTS ACT.

RATANCHUND SHERICHUND *vs.* HUNMUNTRAM SHIVBAKHAS.

THIS was an application made by Mr. Pandurang Ba libhadra for the admission of a regular appeal from a decree of the Principal Sudder Ameen of Dhoolia, passed on the 29th January 1869, in a suit instituted by one Shivbakhas Shivlal, as manager of the firm of Shivram Radhakisson, against the petitioner, Ratan chund, for the balance of a partnership account, and directing the petitioner to pay the sum of Rs. 20,012-12 to the plaintiff. The petitioner prayed to prefer an appeal to the High Court under the provisions of the Bombay Civil Courts' Act (14 of 1869), section 26, which directs a regular appeal to the High Court against a decree of a subordinate judge of the first class in suits in which the amount involved exceeds Rs. 5,000. The time for appealing to the District Judge expired on the 22nd March 1869. In the meantime the Bombay Civil Courts' Act of 1869 received the assent of the Governor General, and became law on the 19th March. The time for an appeal to the High Court expired during the May vacation, and the appeal was presented when the Court opened on the 10th June. An objection was taken to the admission of the appeal on the ground that the decree had been passed by a Principal Sudder Ameen before the said Act came into operation, and that the High Court had jurisdiction to entertain an appeal from the decree of a subordinate judge of the first class given after it became law. The petition came on before Mr. Justice Gibbs and Mr. Justice Melvill on the 24th June and 11th July 1869, when their Lordships referred it to a full bench for decision. Accordingly it was brought before the full bench on the 21st July, when Mr. Pandurang appeared for the petitioner, and the Advocate General, instructed by the Government pleader, on behalf of Government. Their Lordships having refused to hear the Advocate General, as he did not appear for any party before the Court, Mr. Pandurang, with the Government pleader's consent, instructed the learned counsel to appear on behalf of the petitioner. After hearing the Advocate General, their Lordships reserved their judgment.

The judgment of the full Court was pronounced by the Chief Justice on 25th August to the following effect :—After stating the facts, as above set out, the fact of the Bombay Civil Courts' Act repealing all former regulations was noticed, as also the effect of the new enactment on suits above Rs. 5,000. The Chief Justice then said—It is clear that it was not the intention of the Legislature to take away the right of appeal in any case in which it existed at the date of the passing of the Bombay Courts' Act. It is true that the existing regulations, by which the procedure in appeal was governed, were repealed by that Act ; but this does not necessarily take away the right of appeal. Section 6 of Act I. of 1868 is as follows :—" The repeal of any statute, act, or regulation, shall not affect anything done, or any offence committed, or any fine or penalty incurred, or any proceedings commenced before the repealing act shall have come into operation." The question is, whether the word " proceedings" is sufficiently comprehensive to include a suit in which a decree has been given? The Court are of opinion that it is, and this opinion is in accordance with the construction of section 2 of the letters patent of the High Court, which was adopted by the Court in the case of Framji Bomanji *vs.* Hormasji Barjorji (Bombay High Court Reports, Vol. III., page 49) Original Civil Jurisdiction. The words of that section are that "all proceedings" commenced in the High Court prior to the date of the publication of the letters patent shall be continued as if they had commenced after the date. A suit is a judicial proceeding, and the word " proceedings" must be taken to include all the proceedings in the suit from the date of its institution to its final disposal, and therefore to include proceedings in appeal. It follows, in the judgment of the Court, that, in all suits commenced before the passing of the Bombay Courts' Act the procedure must (unless another mode of procedure is expressly substituted by that Act) be the same as it would have been, if that Act had not been passed. The appeal, therefore, in the case before the Court, must be made not to the High Court, but to the District Judge to whom the appeal would have lain, if the Bombay Courts' Act had not been passed. The order of the Court is that the application to file the appeal be refused, but that the petition be returned with an endorsement, directing the party to present it to the Court of the District Judge.

FOURTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS OF 1869.

(Before the Hon'ble Sir CHARLES SARGENT.)

SECOND DAY, SATURDAY, 11TH SEPT.

His Lordship took his seat this morning and the following prisoners were called up and sentenced :—

CAUSING HURT.—Burrakhan Babunkhan was sentenced to imprisonment for nine months for voluntarily causing grievous hurt.

THIEVES AND HOUSE BREAKERS.—Witto Balloo, who had pleaded guilty to a charge of house-breaking in order to commit theft, was sentenced to imprisonment for two years. Bhagee, woman, had also been charged in this case, but no evidence was offered against her and she was discharged.

Arjoon Nagoo was sentenced to imprisonment for two years for theft as a servant of property in the possession of his master.

Syed Mahomed Hakim was sentenced to imprisonment for two years on a charge, which he admitted, of house-breaking by night in order to the committing of theft.

Dadabhoy Dorabjee pleaded guilty of house-breaking and theft in a human dwelling and was sentenced to imprisonment for two years.

Tarrachund Trebhowun, who had pleaded guilty of house-breaking by night in order to commit theft, was sentenced to imprisonment for two years.

The following cases were then disposed of before a common jury :—

BREACH OF TRUST BY A PEON.—Jhoomuck Lall Ajodheya, a peon in the service of the G. I. P. Railway Company, was charged with criminal breach of trust.

It seemed that on the 21st June, Mr. Saunders, locomotive superintendent of the G. I. P. Railway Company, had given the prisoner an order for Rs. 166 in order to get it cashed, that he went and got the money and then made off with it.

The jury found the prisoner guilty.

His Lordship in passing sentence said the prisoner belonged to a class of servants in this country in whom great trust was reposed. When that trust was abused it was of the greatest importance that it should be severely punished, and therefore the sentence of the Court was that he be rigorously imprisoned for two years.

TRANSPORTING SALTPETRE WITHOUT A LICENSE.—Toolseydass Dhurjee was charged with having on 10th July attempted to transport two bags of saltpetre from Bombay without a license from the Commissioner of Police.

Mr. Ferguson appeared for the prosecution and stated the circumstances, which were, that the prisoner had on 10th July gone to the Bombay station of the G. I. P. Railway Company and consigned for Munmar two bags which he said contained sugar but were afterwards found to contain saltpetre—prisoner not having got a license for the transport of saltpetre from the Commissioner of Police.

D. Barton appeared for the defence and took a preliminary objection that the act or the penal consequences did not apply to Bombay.

The objection was overruled by the Court and the proof was then called.

Dr. Barton produced an application for a license which had been made to the Commissioner of Police, and held for the defence that the prisoner, who was one of the largest consigners by the railway, had gone to obtain a license but had not seen the Commissioner, and in the meantime his servants had taken the bags from his godown. On arriving at the station the clerk, with that ingenuity peculiar to his nature, had discovered the mistake, and, with that honesty peculiar to all the Hindoos and Purbhoos on the railway—(laughter)—had reported it, and so the prisoner had been dragged about in the most oppressive manner.

The jury found the prisoner not guilty and he was discharged.

ALLEGED THEFT.—Visram Waljee was charged with having committed theft in a building. Mr. Branson appeared for the prosecution. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

THEFT OF COTTON.—Mulloo Dhurma and Sowa Soobhana were charged with stealing a quantity of cotton from the warehouse of a native firm.

The prisoners had been found with the cotton in their possession near the place where the theft had been committed. The jury found them both guilty, and the first having been previously convicted was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and a half, and the other to imprisonment for two years.

ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SUICIDE.—Bhowance Crustna was charged with attempting to commit suicide.

It seemed that the prisoner had complained to Mr. Tighe, police superintendent, who told him to go to Mr. Showell. Prisoner thereafter left the office and jumped into a well, where he would have been drowned but for the assistance of the police. His defence was that a Parsee and a policeman had assaulted him, and that Mr. Tighe told him to go and jump into a well and fetch up a stone and then he would hear his complaint. He had been a month and twelve days in prison.

His Lordship remarked that there did not seem any doubt the man had attempted to commit suicide, and he thought the only question would rest with him as to punishment.

The jury, however, retired, as they could not agree on their verdict, and after a few minutes they returned, when,

The Foreman—The jury consider him guilty of the attempt but doubt his sanity.

The Judge—Doubt what ?

The Foreman—His sanity.

The Judge—I cannot receive that verdict in that form—you must return a verdict of guilty or not guilty.

The Foreman—Then, guilty, my Lord.

The Judge—I quite agree with the jury in the view they take of the case, that there must be something strange in this man, and the sentence will be that he be imprisoned for a fortnight with a view to some enquiries being made into his case.

The Court then adjourned.

GIRGAUM POLICE COURT.—11TH SEPTEMBER.

(Before R. H. SHOWELL, Esq.)

TRESPASS.—Ameer Ismael was charged with trespassing in the house of Antone John DeSouza, and was fined Rs. 10, or, in default, fourteen days' imprisonment.

TORTURING AN ANIMAL.—Ranoo Sooma, a cart-driver, was charged with torturing a bullock at Breach Candy road, and was fined five rupees.

THEFT.—Shaik Mahomed Shaik Rujub was charged with stealing a quantity of cotton twist from the Manockjee Petit's Spinning and Weaving Company, and was sentenced to fourteen days' rigorous imprisonment.

MYSORE AND COORG.

IT is not improbable a contemporary thinks that when the map of India comes to be remodelled, the government of Mysore and Coorg will be handed over to Madras. We question whether if these changes are effected, the transfer will be very palateable to the officials here. The Commissioner as it is is almost independent, but if he were to become subject to the dictation of the Madras Government, the comparative freedom from restraint he now enjoys would be considerably curtailed. It is difficult to say whether the change would be for the better, but at any rate Bangalore would benefit by the change, and become the seat of Government for the presidency for the hot months of the year.—*Bangalore Herald.*

FATAL RESULT OF A GUNPOWDER EXPLOSION.

THE gunpowder explosion on board the India, reported in our issue of the 1st instant, has, as was feared, resulted in the death of Marmaduke Chapman, the third mate of the ship, who was so fearfully wounded by the explosion. It appears that his sufferings, which are reported to have been very great, came to an end on Tuesday evening. He was much respected on board, and is said to have been a very promising young officer. He was about to return home by way of Jamaica. The other sufferers are understood to be recovering. Some investigation should certainly be made into the circumstance that caused gunpowder to be mistaken for charcoal—surely the store room for the one would hardly be left open to form a depot for such commodity as the other.—*Englishman*, Sept. 9.

ABYSSINIA.

(*Bombay Catholic Examiner.*)

IN the letters we from time to time published, during the Abyssinian war, from Zoulla, mention was often made of the Rev. Delmonte, a zealous Catholic missionary in those parts. Only a short time back we also mentioned that he had been nominated Bishop Vicar Apostolic in Abyssinia ; and now, before we have heard of his receiving the episcopal consecration, we have to announce his death. Thus, within the last few years, four Bishops have succumbed to the climate of Abyssinia, or rather, it is more probable, to the privations poverty forced them to endure. Mgr. de Jacobis died in 1861, and after him have come in succession Mgr. Bianchieri, Mgr. Bel and Mgr. Delmonte. Doubtless we shall soon hear that another courageous missionary has been named to succeed him who has last fallen. Death has no terrors for the true pastors of souls.

AN ECCENTRIC TRAVELLER.

THE *Port Louis Gazette* of the 23rd July says :—"News from the English traveller Frogmorton, who it will be remembered is endeavouring to walk across the island of Madagascar 'without trowsers,' has been received here, and I am informed that he has arrived about five miles from the capital on his journey westward along a new route to the northward of the old and beaten track. He had suffered from the fever, and had attracted much attention from the natives on the road, who had evidently never seen a European minus trousers before. At one village they came out to look at him in large numbers, and in a certain market-place of another village the vendors of goods ran away in horror, and deserted their wares, though it is only reasonable to suppose that this action on their part was as much attributable to their surprise at the sudden apparition of a European among them as to any shock given to their feeling of delicacy by the absence of trowsers."

INDIGO.

As the time approaches for the completion of the indigo manufacture in Bengal, we are sorry to say that the reports of the out-turn do not except, in a very few instances, prove to be satisfactory. From the North-West also the accounts are by no means favourable, and the total out-turn is not now expected to exceed 75,000 maunds. We suppose that it is owing to the general badness of the season that we have this year received no anticipations of the produce of the different concerns, with the exceptions of those in Tirhoot.—*Englishman.*

PORT CANNING COMPANY.

WE observe that notice has been given that the farming leases granted to the Port Canning Company, Limited, on the 31st of December, 1867, authorizing them to cut timber and to collect honey, gum, or other forest produce in the ungranted portion of the Soonderbunds, have been cancelled from the 8th of September, 1869, and that the right of the company to realize forest dues of any description whatever, or to grant "licenses" to collect timber, charcoal, shells, rattan, null, thatching leaves, gab, wax, honey, or any other description of forest produce, has ceased from that day. —*Indian Daily News.*

THE BENGAL PILOT SERVICE.

THE following notification by the Government of Bengal dated the 6th Sept. has appeared in supersession of notification dated the 4th January, 1869—"It is hereby notified that the Lieutenant-Governor has determined that, subject to revision from time to time, as deemed expedient, the following shall be the scale of tonnage for the various grades of the pilot service :—junior mate, up to 450 tons ; senior mate, from 450 to 700 tons ; master pilot, from 700 to 1,175 tons brevet branch, from 1,175 to 1,250 tons ; branch pilot, from 1,250 upwards, or any ship over a master pilot's tonnage, provided no brevet branch pilot is present, who has been out longer than the branch pilot of the turn."

THE BERARS AND HYDRABAD.

THE Hyderabad correspondent of the *Englishman* writes :—"It is with infinite regret that I write to say that for nearly three weeks the Berars have been without rain. In June and July the rain guage was fully thirteen inches, but August has been a most unusually dry month. Dr. Ball, of the Madras army, has written an admirable report on the climate of the Nizam's country. His statistics have been collected from official records and registers. His theory is that for the last 13 years the rain fall in the Deccan has been diminishing, and he is corroborated by the complaints which year by year the natives make of the scantiness of the Monsoons. The contingent has had several officers lately appointed from the Queen's regiments as probationers, for the Staff Corps. All had better be up in their drill, for the Brigade General is a smart disciplinarian and has lately suspended from the command of his corps a gallant officer who has seen service, and who is decidedly popular both with Europeans and natives."

A CORRECTION.

OUR attention has been drawn to the following letter, which appeared in the columns of our local contemporary on the 3rd instant, correcting in an important respect a story first published in the *Friend of India* and referred to in an extract we had on Saturday from the *Madras Mail* :—

SIR,—Relative to an extract from the *Friend of India* which appeared in your issue of Monday, the 30th instant, concerning the family affairs of Captain Plowden, late Assistant Commissioner of Hoshungabad, and now officiating Deputy Commissioner of Dumoh, I am certain you will regret that it was ever copied into your paper, when you learn that from end to end it is a gross libel on the family. Since Mrs. Plowden's first arrival in this country, she has never had cause even from sickness to leave India, and is at the present moment with her husband at Dumoh.

As a friend of Captain Plowden's, I sincerely hope to see the Editor of that excellent and truthful paper, the *Friend of India*, prosecuted, or that Captain Plowden will make him insert an apology every time his paper is published for the next six months.

I enclose my card for your information, and am, &c.,
CENTRAL PROVINCES.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL OF AUGUST 20.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s.s. Salsette, with the English mail of the 20th August, arrived in Bombay harbour at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning. She left Suez on 29th August at 1-20 P.M., arrived at Aden on 4th September at 6-0 A.M., and sailed for Bombay at 3 o'clock on the same afternoon. From Suez to Aden the Salsette experienced fine weather, with light variable winds ; and from Aden to Bombay a moderate south-east monsoon. She brings the following passengers :—

From Southampton—Mr. and Mrs. G. Brodie and Miss Sarah Brodie, Mr. and Mrs. Macey, Miss Hough, Mr. H. Hough, Messrs. Tickel, Lowe, P. McArthur, F. H. Plumptree, C. Touch, Matheson, C. J. Walter, W. Lee, E. Sylvester, and D. Davies.

From Marseilles—Mr. G. W. Vanderkiste, and Mr. Fred. Mayall.

From Suez—Mr. W. B. Jones.

From Aden—Shaik Adam, Ismailjee, Said Dulla, and Badarbin Ali.

On August 31st the Salsette spoke the s.s. Rangoon ; on September 3rd she spoke the s.s. Carnatic and the s.s. Surat, all for Suez.

HEADS OF INTELLIGENCE.

(*Home News*, August 20.)

THE Queen has left Osborne, and after a short stay at Windsor has proceeded to Balmoral. The Prince of Wales is about to visit Abergeldie, the Princess remaining at Wildbad. Prince Arthur is gone to Canada.

The Emperor of the French has been suffering from acute rheumatism. An amnesty for all political offences was granted on the occasion of the Napoleon centenary.

Marshal Niel, the French Minister of War, died on August 14 and was buried on August 17.

The British Association commenced its sittings at Exeter on August 18.

Carlist movements appear to be extending in Spain.

The differences between the Sultan and the Viceroy of Egypt are stated to have been composed.

An Italian countess has been murdered in a first-class carriage on the Naples railway.

The Anglo-American University rowing match is definitely fixed for August 27.

The Guinevere won the Emperor's Cup at the international yacht race at Cherbourg.

Some curious despatches are gradually appearing respecting the treaty of Prague between the Austrian and Prussian ministers.

The Earl of Clarendon has paid a flying visit to Brussels on his way to Germany.

Capt. Seymour, the Conservative candidate for Antrim, has been returned by a majority of 3,222, over Sir Shafto Adair, the Liberal.

Dr. Cumming has had some correspondence with Archbishop Manning, and has repeated his determination to be present at the Œcumenical Council at Rome.

The Rev. Mr. Pigou has accepted the vicarage of Doncaster.

Some interesting correspondence has appeared respecting railways in Burmah.

An English barrister has been nearly killed by a fanatical mob at Lorca, in Spain.

Singapore is to be separated from the diocese of Calcutta and added to that of Labuan.

The formation of the proposed bishopric of Burmah is postponed.

Accounts have been received at the Foreign-office of the safety of the British subjects detained in Paraguay.

The Albert Life Assurance Company has suspended with enormous liabilities, and a provisional liquidator has been appointed.

The dividend on the ordinary stock of the Metropolitan Railway is at the rate of only 4 per cent.

Arrangements are in progress for bringing out the Ottoman Loan of £12,000,000 sterling.

Two failures in the carpet trade at Kidderminster are announced.

The following names appear in the obituary of the week :—

In Her Majesty's Indian Service : The Rev. W. J. Jay, Bengal Retired List—Lieut.-Colonel T. Pownall, Bengal Retired List—R. H

ABYSSINIA.

By native letters just received from Adowa, in Abyssinia, we learn that Dejjáj Kása has despatched one Aito Mansûr to Egypt to obtain a new bishop from the Coptic Patriarch at Cairo. As his rival the Wakshum Gobazé was reported a short time ago to have sent a messenger on a similar errand, it remains to be seen which party will succeed in obtaining the coveted privilege. Of course both look forward to kingly consecration at the prelate's hands.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

SIR BARTLE FRERE AT THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the British Association for the advancement of Science was begun at Exeter on Wednesday the 18th August, when Professor Stokes, the new President, delivered the inaugural address.

The Geographical Section was presided over by Sir Bartle Frere, whose address referred chiefly to the subjects to be brought forward for discussion. He said—"An increasing share of public attention has of late been directed to those regions where the southern frontier line of the Russian empire approaches the northern limits of our own Indian empire. The vast space which intervenes between our two empires, differing as it does so widely both in physical aspect and in political condition from these ocean-washed shores of Europe, is a region not unblessed by nature. Surely we must rejoice that the thoughts of two great civilised neighbouring nations are at length earnestly directed to this vast region; that we no longer regard our neighbour to the north and west of our Indian frontier with studied aversion and distrust, as nations of born menstealers and menslayers, all intercourse with whom must be discouraged and prohibited as the only condition on which we can hope to avoid being drawn into devastating wars or embarrassing political alliances. I believe that nothing but good can result from the attention of the great statesmen of Russia and of England being director to the condition of the countries which intervene between our empire in Asia. As far as we are ourselves concerned I feel sure that the cause of peace and good neighbourhood could not be in better hands than those of the able and enlightened nobleman who now rules India as Viceroy; and geographers may think, rest assured that it will not be Lord Mayo's fault, if he fails to secure that condition of permanent good neighbourhood which both empires most earnestly desire. It is the best guarantee for progress in geographical science, as in all those other branches of knowledge and civilization which flourish best in peace, and languish or maintain but a fevered existence in time of war or political disturbance. The glory of being the first, in modern days, actually to traverse the almost unknown region between the Hindoo-Chinese races and China proper has been reserved for our neighbours the French. A country so rich and varied in soil, with a rainfall probably in parts exceeding that of almost any known portion of the globe, and a great variety of temperature, which has been hitherto almost cut off from civilised Europe, while it approximates geographically to some of the most interesting regions of India and the Eastern Archipelago, must possess a fauna and flora of great novelty and interest. Nor can it be doubted that all these attempts to traverse the regions which separate India from China have a political and social aspect of the highest importance. It is clear that the time has arrived in China when we may witness one of those great social movements which in all ages have so powerfully affected the destinies of nations and the geographical distribution of races." Sir Bartle Frere next referred to the recent discoveries in South Africa, which would be made known to the section, and expressed a confident belief that Dr. Livingstone was alive, and would eventually make his way from the interior of the country.

A paper, written by Dr. Beke, but read by some one else, "On a Canal to unite the Upper Nile and the Red Sea," afterwards led to some discussion, in the course of which Dr. Blanc, one of the Abyssinian prisoners, ridiculed the idea that such a project was possible.

LATEST ENGLISH NEWS.

(FROM THE EVENING PAPERS OF AUG. 20.)

MORE NAVAL REDUCTIONS.

We believe that a reduction in the list of flag officers on the active list is contemplated by Mr. Childers, and it will probably be shortly made public.

DISPOSAL OF GUN VESSELS.

We believe that it is the intention of the present Board of Admiralty to sell out of the service the Assurance, Penguin, and Steady, steam gun vessels, now in ordinary at Hamoaze; and the Landrail and Ranger, similar class of vessels, in the Mersey.

A NEW CORVETTE.

The Volage, a new eight-gun steam corvette, which is now being finished by the Thames Ironworks Company, at Blackwall, is nearly complete, and at the end of the present month she will no doubt be out of the hands of the contractors.

NAVAL EXAMINATIONS.

We learn that the number of naval cadets to be entered for the present at each examination is to be reduced to 37. The navigating cadets are to have 24 entered annually by competition—12 at each half-yearly examination; 24 nominations being made for each examination.

THE NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

The recent competitive examination for entry into the naval medical service (according to the *Lancet*) has proved a complete success, the five gentlemen selected from amongst those presenting themselves being quite up to the average of the candidates for the Indian medical service, with whom they were examined. Dr. Armstrong, the Director-General, deserves the thanks of both the profession and the service for his inauguration of this new and improved system.

RESIGNATION OF THE BISHOP OF WINCHESTER.

It is stated to-day that, under the Bishops' Resignation Act of 1869, the bishopric of Winchester will shortly become vacant by the resignation of the Right Rev. Charles Sumner, who has held it since 1827, having previously been Bishop of Llandaff. He was nominated to the bishopric of Llandaff on the decanery of St. Paul's in 1826 by the Earl of Liverpool, who was then Prime Minister, and in the following year was translated to Winchester.

THE BRITISH VESSELS AT CUBA.

The disputes which were alleged to have taken place in reference to the detention of British vessels in Cuba appear to have been settled, for we learn to-day that Commodore Phillimore, who recently hoisted his flag on board the armour-plated ship Defence, for the purpose of enquiring into certain matters relating to the Cuban question, has struck his flag on board that ship, and rehoisted his broad pennant on board the receiving ship at Port Royal.

A SAILOR MURDERED BY A NEGRO.

The *Western Mail* to-day reports a murder at Cardiff. Yesterday afternoon a quarrel took place on board the barque Norcape, a vessel lying at the bottom of the east side of the West Dock, between the cook, who is a negro, and one of the sailors. From words it came to blows, and it is said that the negro received the first stab. He retaliated on the sailor by stabbing him in the most frightful manner in the left breast, almost exposing the heart to view. Death was nearly instantaneous. The assassin was at once apprehended. The prisoner, whose name is William Byron, is a short thick-set, and decidedly repulsive-looking African.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY (LIMITED.)

The twenty-first half-yearly general meeting was held to-day, at 101, Cannon-street, George Sheward, Esq., in the chair. The chairman said upwards of £50,000 had been paid for property. The Post Office had said it would take the telegraphs into its hands on the 1st of January, and money was voted for the purchase of the lines. The whole question as between this company and the Post Office lay in the hands of Lord Salisbury, who had been appointed an arbitrator between the company and the Post Office. The receipts during the past half-year had been very satisfactory. The number of messages sent had increased at the rate of 100 daily. The bargain made with the Government had not been all to the advantage of the company: Robert Taylor, Esq., expressed his satisfaction with the terms of purchase, and the report was adopted.

THE ADMIRALTY AND THE COAL CONSUMPTION.

A circular has been issued by the Lords of the Admiralty to the effect that commanding officers as a general rule in all ordinary passages of ships, as well as when cruising under steam, except for special reasons, are to be performed at rates of speed under five knots. No ship, unless ordered to be at a port at a given date, or unless her safety be endangered, is ever to steam when she has a fair wind that will send her four or five knots, or when she has a foul wind strong enough to prevent her carrying sails, unless going in or out of harbour. The maximum supply of coal is to be limited for ships having engines between 1,200 or 1,350 horse-power to 25 cwt. per hour; for ships with engines of 1,000 and less than 1,200 horse-power, to 22 cwt. per hour; ships with engines between 800 and 1,000 horse-power, to 20 cwt. per hour; and those of between 500 and 800 horse-power, to 18 cwt. per hour; with smaller ships, a proportionate quantity of coal to be expended; and, finally, when ships have a fair wind, and are using steam, the consumption of coal (it is considered by their lordships) should be reduced.

THE NORWICH ELECTION COMMISSION.

The proceedings in this inquiry were resumed this morning. Some remarkable evidence was given yesterday by Mr. Coaks, the Liberal agent. After giving an elaborate account of the last election, he said there were generally "outside" payments on the Liberal side after an election, such as for bands, and the show of hands. It was not thought right to put them in the published accounts, because they were not strictly legal. These payments were something like £200; not exceeding £300. There was some kind of arrangement made by the Liberals as to the show of hands at the last election.

Mr. Biron—How much a hand?—The witness said he did not know. The Liberals always liked, however, to have the show of hands, and almost always had it. It had been always the custom to get the show of hands. It cost, in a lump, from £30 to £40; certainly not £50. The cost of obtaining the show of hands at the last election was probably included in a general cheque for "labour," which he gave to Mr. Ray, the registration agent for the Liberals. The purchase of the show of hands had been a universal practice in Norwich. The arrangement as to "going for the show of hands" was determined on at a meeting of some of the Liberals on the Saturday before the election. Mr. Ray was present, with Sir W. Russell, Mr. Tillett, Mr Stevens, and others. Mr. Ray knew who arranged for the show of hands.

It has been arranged that measures shall be taken for separating Singapore from the diocese of Calcutta and placing it under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Labuan. The formation of the proposed new bishopric of Burmah is postponed for the present, but a new mission has been established there for the district of Mandalay, and the Rev. John Trow has been appointed to it.

SUTTEE.

(*Pall Mall Gazette.*)

The recent marriage of the widow Rao Moroba Canoba gives reason to hope that the Hindoos are at last beginning to appreciate the wisdom of St. Pul's advice to the Corinthians that "it is better to marry than to burn." It is, we believe, to Sir Charles Napier, of Scinde, that the credit is really due of inducing them to forego the luxury of suttee. He positively forbade it; and when they protested that it was a custom which had endured from time immemorial, he pointed out that we too had a custom which had lasted from time immemorial, it was this—that when any one burnt a fellow creature the culprit was immediately hanged, and that if the Hindoo custom were adhered to ours would follow as a matter of course. This effected the desired object notwithstanding the passage in the code of Gentoo laws which says—"It is proper for a woman after her husband's death to burn herself in the fire with his corpse. Every woman who thus burns herself shall remain in paradise with her husband three scrores and fifty lakhs of years by destiny." We fear too many of our English widows would shun combustion for this reason alone, apart from others; but if Mr. E. T. Smith could manage to get up a suttee at Cremorne there is little doubt that it would prove a great attraction, and be little if at all more disgusting than the exhibition he has recently favoured us with at Dunmow.

"A LA LANTERNE!"

From time to time (the *Pall Mall Gazette* remarks) we have ventured to hint at an opinion lying deep and quiet in our own minds that a proper reform of capital punishments would be to extend their operation. This opinion is again roused to expression by the following letter, which appears in the *Daily News* of to-day (August 20):—

Sir,—As the newspaper press is, perhaps, in some cases a better protector of the public safety than even the law, probably you will give publicity to the following incidents, every point of which I vouch, and which will, perhaps, caution parents against entrusting their children unadvised on errands into the streets, seeing from the following narrative how they may be molested by prowling ruffians:—Between twelve and one on Tuesday last I was passing on business along the top of Leicester-square, when I noticed a big, gentlemanly-dressed man, about fifty years of age, evidently following and dodging a very pretty, neatly dressed little girl, apparently about nine years of age. Seeing the child run across the road, almost at the risk of her life, in consequence of the vehicles, and the fellow still following, overtaking, and accosting her, I determined to follow behind, if possible, unobserved, and watch him. My suspicions of his infamous intentions were strengthened by the fact that several times took hold of her cape, and endeavoured to lead her down some of the lowest slums of that locality. Each time, also, that they passed a low coffee-shop he brought her to a complete stop by taking hold of her cape, and endeavouring to pull her in. He also tried to get her into a low oyster-shop, a low sweetmeat-shop, and a fruit-shop. At last I met with a policeman, whose number and initial I have, to whom I pointed the man out, together with my suspicions. "Oh," replied he, "I can't interfere; he must know the child; he looks a respectable gentleman, and he would not walk alongside her and take hold of her like that if he didn't know her; anyhow, I can't interfere." I replied, "I believe differently, for she has run away from him several times. Will you watch his movements?" "Well," replied he, "we do hear o' some strange things sometimes, and cases of even little children being molested, certainly; but I can't take any notice." During this colloquy the child, still with the fellow sticking close to her side, was fast getting out of sight; and fearing I might lose them in some of the neighbouring slums—for they were now near towards the Sevendials—I ran after them. On this way I met another policeman, and told him, but with a similar result. Having followed them backwards and forwards several times through the same streets, she at length got into Greek-street, Soho, where I saw her run across the road, and knock hard at a door, and the fellow then quickly retraced his steps.

As soon as I could, without his perceiving me, I went to the house, where I found the child in a very terrified and agitated state, and in such a condition that water had to be given to her. With the permission of the people in the house I at once asked her whether she knew that gentleman that had been following her about. She replied, "No, sir; I have come here to get out of him. I live at Fulham, and he has been following me about for more than an hour. He followed me all about last week, and got into the omnibus after me. He keeps on asking me to go with him to his rooms, or to some coffee-shop; and he says if I will go with him he will buy me a new dress, and give me some money, and a beautiful gold ring off his finger, and he will take me to the Alhambra as well. I told him I had come out of an errand for my mother, and could not go, and then he wanted me to come out to-night, and meet him at half-past eight. I told him I should not, and as he pulled me about so, I got frightened, for I thought he really would have dragged me into some house, so I came up here; he first spoke to me in French, and then talked to me in English." In answer to my further inquiry she told me she was eleven years of age.

On hearing her statement I requested the people to take care of her while I followed the fellow, to try and find out who he was. By the time I got out of the house he was too far out of sight; but meeting the first policeman again, I said to him, "Did you notice which way that man went?" "What man?" inquired he, in a half-vacant manner, as though I had not spoken to him before. "Why the man that was dodging that little girl about so; that I asked you to try and keep your eye upon," replied I. "No," said he, "I didn't notice which way he went, but I think he went down yonder." Taking the direction, I in a few minutes got in sight of him again, still loitering about. Here I saw him go up to a respectable, lady-like looking girl, about fifteen, who was looking in a draper's window, and accost her. What he said of course I do not know; but she looked at him very disdainfully, and walked sharply away. He then walked on a little further, and accosted another respectable looking girl, apparently about twelve years of age, but she also refused his conversation, and went quickly away. He went to another street, and seeing a little girl, certainly not more than seven, with her school-bag on her arm, and standing looking at some photographs, he crossed over to her. He stood close behind her for a minute or two and talked to her, and then took hold of her and tried to lead her, but she broke from him and ran away. I lost sight of her through people passing, but I think she ran into a house a little higher. He followed up, and while standing opposite the place where I think she went in, evidently puzzling which way she had gone, some women came and tossed over him some dirty water. At this he became greatly annoyed, said it was a disgraceful thing that a respectable man could not walk along the streets without being insulted in that manner, and that he would go for a policeman. So at this point he and I were now on the same errand, for I had now been a second time following him about in the hope of meeting a policeman for more than three-quarters of an hour. I now caught sight of one at the bottom of the street just coming up, so I hurried towards him, told him as quickly as I could the circumstances, and asked him if he would demand his name and address, as I would try and take out a summons against him. I got, however, the same reply; he could not, he was afraid, demand it. I gave the policeman's number who, I think, was willing to do what he could—police constable G 201. On arriving at the top of the street, the fellow—for though dressed like a gentleman, I cannot call him one—peremptorily required the policeman to obtain for him the name of the woman who threw the water over him. "What did they throw over you for?" inquired the policeman. "I don't know," was the reply. "Well," rejoined the policeman, "this gentleman seems to know what for; he says he has been watching you for more than an hour, and he says he has a charge to make against you, and he requests me to ask for your name and address." He, of course, wanted to know what for, and with very great reluctance he eventually gave it, on my giving mine, which of course I did. He then said he held a very good position, and would like to talk with me quietly about the matter. I however, refused any further conversation with him, as I considered his proposals to little girls during the last two hours perfectly disgraceful, and it was only because I did not wish to expose him to any lynch law of the gathering crowd that I did not tell him publicly more, but I would certainly summon him if I could. I then returned to Greek-Street, Soho, and finding the little girl still there, I got the woman to bring her with me to Marlborough-street police-court, where I endeavoured to get from Mr. Knox a summons against him. He, however, thought I had better see Messrs. Shaen and Roscoe, the solicitors to the Society for the Protection of Women and Children. We took the little girl there, and saw the managing clerk, but he too was of opinion that though there could not be the slightest moral doubt, from the child's statement, as to the fellow's atrocious intentions, yet nothing could be done because no crime had been perpetrated.

The law empowers the police to take up the poor fallen unfortunate, and will throw her into prison if she only solicit; and whilst it is mighty to protect, perhaps, the ruffian who has brought her to degradation against her further solicitations, made perhaps for bread, it is powerless to protect the little child of eleven from the solicitations and the forcible grasps of the bloated, ring-bedizened ruffian of fifty years of age, who for upwards of two hours in broad mid-day light, endeavoured to decoy not only her, but other more children, into those dens of infamy, and this in the full face of the hurrying crowd, the very policemen on the beat, and in the midst of one of the greatest thoroughfares of the metropolis.

Seeing how utterly futile the law and the instructions to police officers are in many cases as preventives of crime, I just send this plain unexaggerated narrative in the hope that it may be an additional caution to parents and guardians, so that they may warn even children against accepting the allurements of strangers. After all, parents are the best guardians of their children's safety. It was doubtless the mother's caution that in a great measure saved the little girl from being decoyed on Tuesday last by the promise of the gift of a dazzling ring, a new dress, and money, for in the course of her own narrative of the affair she said, "Mother always told me never to go anywhere with strangers, and I never will." If more parents impressed this maxim upon their children there would perhaps be fewer mere children upon the streets, and fewer chances for prowling scoundrels.

If at any time it might be necessary, and would answer any good end, I should be willing, under fitting circumstances, to give his description, name, and address.—I am, &c., H. H.

Two questions have cropped up again: what has become of the money subscribed, in 1864, for the Shakspeare Memorial?—and what has been done about the Guild of Literature for the benefit of which Lord Lytton wrote his *Not So Bad as We Seem*, in which many distinguished amateurs appeared at Devonshire House some years ago.—*Once a Week.*

IN LIQUIDATION.

(*Pall Mall Gazette*)

A correspondent sends us from India a good-humoured and amusing letter recounting his experiences in connection with "The Bank of Hindostan, China, and Japan (Limited), in liquidation." He says:—

"I am a shareholder in the Bank of Hindostan, China, and Japan (Limited), in liquidation.

"And first, let me ask in all the humility of utter ignorance, what is this Bank of Hindostan, China, and Japan? Who started the concern, and when? How came so magnificent an institution (capital £4,000,000 sterling as we read in the advertisements, in 40,000 shares I suppose, of £100 each) to liquidate so early in its career? and whence this abnormal posthumous vitality which threatens to drag us all along, liquidatees *in saecula saeculorum?*

"It does not, perhaps, affect the general question much, but as there are probably many other foreign shareholders similarly situated with myself, I should like to say just one word as to how I attained the honourable (by reason it is perilous) position of a shareholder in this particular undertaking. Finding the Agra, where I banked on my arrival in India, in some respects inconvenient, I was induced by a friend to open an account at the then budding Hindostan. I was delighted with the change and thoroughly appreciated the amenities attending on the transaction of my business at the little bank in Hastings-street from its contrast with the brusquerie one had been accustomed to at the hands of its elder and more stalwart neighbour in Council House-street. It was, I think (I am obliged to speak from memory, having no papers with me), towards the end of 1864 that, finding my balance at the Hindostan larger than I cared to let lie idle, I took the manager into counsel as to its investment. He suggested, among other things, the bank's shares. They were at a considerable premium it was true, but then the career the bank had before it! The stock was well held at home, and (I think the manager said) there were not 100 shares in all Bengal.

"I hope it will be understood in what I am saying that I by no means think the manager was guilty of intentional misrepresentation. His subsequent career showed unfortunately that he was simply over sanguine.

"As luck would have it (I feel a thrill of thankfulness as I write when I think how different things might have been) there were but few shares to be had at any price, and these the bank secured me; I subsequently became the possessor of eight 'new shares' in addition. The new shares I was told were subject to a call, but these calls in such a prosperous concern stood only, of course, for claims, to dip deeper into profits.

"The profits never came, but the calls did. I don't think, by the way, I ever put a second question to the manager touching our chances of a dividend. The one in which he made answer to my first warned me that there would be an incongruity, if I may so say, in renewing the subject. It would have paralleled the action of a thoughtless passenger 'specering questions' at the skipper when he is making the land on a dirty night under full steam. In August, 1866, there was a touch of settled melancholy on the whole bank *personnel*, from the manager in his sanctum, to the Durwan within the gates, from which I augured ill enough. Still, when the Calcutta for these provinces (somewhere in September) the Hindostan may be said to have fulfilled the conditions of being grateful to gods and men. It stood 'a brave bank struggling with adversity.' With the clear heads and great resources of the gentlemen in London there was, however, a good chance still that she would pull through.

"I was scarce settled in my new home when tidings came of the great crash. With a sigh at the mutability of fortune, I put my pen through the entries in my diary which represented the Hindostan shares as a positive assets, and thanked Heaven it was no worse. I hardly looked to get much from the wreck. It is a peculiarity I have noticed of Calcutta wrecks that there seldom is much rescued—by the owners.

"The end, however, was not yet. The wreck was to be patched up for the nonce and lie 'in ordinary' as a residence for the Board of Liquidators. How in due course came London dated letters from said liquidators regretting, &c., but telling us in plain terms we must pay up £5 per share all round as contributories to the winding up of the Hindostan. I multiplied 40,000 by £5, hoped the liquidators would bury the little bank handsomely while they were about it, and sent my contribution (assessed, by-the-by, on old and new shares alike) almost by return of post. So eager, indeed, was I to get to the end of my liability that I drew by accident a cheque for £54 instead of £45 for the first half of the call—of which accident anon.

"I need hardly say that after having paid this handsome tribute to its memory I thought I might well rest without being further haunted by associations of the Hindostan. Indeed, I had just succeeded in forgetting the ugly phantom altogether when, on the 16th of April, the fog of blissful ignorance around me was dispelled, and once more the spectre loomed horrible before me. The liquidators begged to present me with a fourth (!) report, dated the 18th of February 1869, regretting &c., but must have £5 more all round (another trifle of £200,000), and that too by the 20th then instant April.

"At the same time fancying, I suppose from the mistake I had made in my first cheque, or the promptness with which I had responded to the former calls, that I was a timid one who would stand a little extra squeezing, the liquidators begged to send me a separate bill for interest on arrears of last years's call. From the fourth report I begin to see that 'interest on unpaid calls' is proving a great card in the liquidation. If they delay the delivery of their notice everywhere else as they have in my case, I pity the poor wretches who mean to pay in China and Japan.

"The report is well worth your taking the trouble to dissect. Like the missive of a quack doctor, who thinks he has got his patient well in hand, the liquidators' report draws a picture of our future that is anything but reassuring, and tells us pretty plainly that our best plan is to pay up at once the sum they ask. These gentlemen seem entirely to lose sight of the fact that the fortunes of shareholders are placed at the disposal of liquidators, not that a defunct concern may be kept comfortably going as long as it can be made to go, but that contributories may be spared the ruinous results inseparable from protracted and independent efforts at liquidation. Here is a fifth-rate bank in its third year of liquidation! How many weeks did the Agra and Masterman's require to put its affairs in order after it had suspended payment?

"What the report does tell us is, to my thinking, anything but satisfactory. It tell us that 33 per cent. of the bank's capital has been raised and spent, and that the entire bank's organization, branches and all, is still alive, and expresses merely a 'hope' that this year may enable us to see the latter closed. Worst of all, however, we are told, what most of us of course have been suspecting, that some of us are paying, and some are not. Towards some shareholders—the interest of course—the liquidators are showing 'forbearance.' The same word was used in the same sense, if I remember rightly, when liquidators were adjusting the burdens of the Royal British Bank of silent memory. That the law as it now stands furnishes no guarantee against similar abuses (notwithstanding all the vigilance the court can exercise over the matter) I gather from an extract from the *Economist*, quoted in the *Pall Mall Budget*. It runs thus:—'Many estates in liquidation have suffered much, because debtors in the state have secured the appointment of liquidators and the management of the liquidation.'

"I know nothing personally of the Hindostan liquidators or the circumstances of their appointment; but I am entitled, I think, before paying more, to know towards whom forbearance is being shown and in what way that forbearance is to profit us who pay.

"Assuming the liquidators to be animated by an honesty of purpose, I am still entitled to the information I seek, to test their judgment. Supposing, what I think very likely to be the case, that immediately before the crash a solvent director assigned his shares to a man of straw, it is the liquidators' duty to bring home the colourable transfer to the director and get him placed on the list of contributories. It is a matter on which mercantile public opinion is absolutely dumb. In Calcutta 'slipping out' of concerns about to burst is, provided the feat be done deftly enough not to attract the eye of the High Court, not accounted. I have noticed, a very discreditable manœuvre.

"In conclusion I may say that, willing as I am to bear my part in paying the debts of an unfortunate adventure, I am not the less determined to resist any attempt to put upon me an unfair share of the burden.

"With a view of testing the liquidators' conduct I have requested answers to the following questions. The answers, I think you will agree with me, should have formed part of the liquidators' fourth report.

"1. To which of the courts is this cause attached?

"2. On what number of shares was the call of £5 made, and what did the call realize?

"3. The names (in a schedule) of the defaulting shareholders, specifying the number of shares held by each, and, in cases in which they are not original shareholders, the parties from whom they purchased and the dates of transfer.

"4. What remuneration do the liquidators receive, and is it by way of salary or gross sum?

"5. The number and names of the branches still open, the salaries of the gentlemen in charge, the rent of the premises, and general cost of the establishments.

"Trusting, Sir, that you may be able to find a corner for us in your valuable paper, I remain, yours very obediently,

May, 1869. "BURMO-BRITANNICUS."

The *Northern Daily Express* says that the King of Sweden was expected to arrive on Dee Side at the end of August on a visit to the Prince of Wales, at Abergeldie.

The Egyptian Navigation Company, the Azizié, has, it is reported, completed an experimental arrangement to continue for six months for regular steam communication between Venice and Alexandria. Signor Haicalis, the agent of the society, who has just returned to Egypt, has completed the establishment of certain relations with commercial companies in Switzerland and Germany, one immediate result of which is an offer to transmit by the company's line about thirty thousand bales of cotton, which can readily be expedited to Venice by the Brenner Pass, but must otherwise go by Marseilles or Trieste. The economical inducements offered by this company are said to be considerable.—*Globe.*

From an article upon Georgia by M. de Villeneuve, the last explorer of that district, it appears that the much-vaunted beauty of the Georgian women is almost wholly confined to the inhabitants of the provinces of Imerethia and Mingrelia. As for the men, they are distinguished by another advantage—the prominence of their noses. M. de Villeneuve speaks of these noses in terms of the greatest enthusiasm: "Were you adorned with the finest nose which Europe ever produced—a nose by the side of which that of Alcide, Tousey, or Schiller would look insignificant—you would be the object of remarking in the streets of Tiflis. On your arrival at the very frontier of the country you cannot escape from the conviction that at the sight of these Georgian noses, all noses, whether Greek, Roman, Spanish, or even Neapolitan and Tyrolese, should hide themselves with shame. The Georgian noses are of every shape and of every colour, but the red and the purple predominate. You have but to press them between your fingers, and from the smallest would flow a pint of the wine of Kaketia." It would seem however that it cost something to colour these noses. M. de Villeneuve asserts that the Georgians generally consume from six to seven litres of wine at each meal—and that fifteen-litre men are by no means rare. This beats our almost extinct race of three-bottle men, of whom we have in your time been proud.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS.

(*London Gazette*, August 20.)

War Office, Pall Mall, 20th August 1869.

4th Hussars—Cornet Henry Askew Cherry to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Hugh Berkely Griffiths, deceased. Dated 23rd June, 1869.

7th Hussars—Major James Aytoun, from half-pay, late 85th Foot, to be Major, vice Frank Garforth, who retires on temporary half-pay. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Captain Robert Hale to be Major, by purchase, vice James Aytoun, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Lieutenant Arthur Peel to be Captain, by purchase, vice Hale. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Cornet William Rose Wynter to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Peel. Dated 21st August, 1869.

20th Hussars—Cornet Horace Hilton Perkin to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant Loch, promoted. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Scots Fusilier Guards—Ensign and Lieutenant Henry Fludyer to be Lieutenant and Captain, by purchase, vice Henry John Elwes, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Sir Arthur Reginald Thomas Willshire, Bart., to be Ensign and Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Fludyer. Dated 21st August, 1869.

3rd Regiment of Foot—Ensign Richard Compton Maul to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Archibald William Peyton, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Gentleman Cadet Lionel Thomas Spens, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Maul. Dated 21st August, 1869.

7th Foot—Gentleman Cadet Archibald Edward Crichton, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Coles, whose appointment, by purchase, on the 24th July, 1869, is cancelled. Dated 21st August, 1869.

8th Foot—Ensign Joseph Wright Ward, from 82nd Foot, to be Ensign, vice John William N. Bower, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

10th Foot—Lieutenant Joseph Skelton Brougham to be Captain, by purchase, vice Brevet-Major Robert Annesley, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Ensign Charles Edward Amys Tuck to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Brougham. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Ensign Nicholas Purcell O'Gorman to be Lieutenant by purchase, vice William Henry John Moor Hodder, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

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11th Foot—Lieutenant George Vincent Meredith to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant Bamfield, promoted. Dated 7th August, 1869.

25th Foot—Major Henry Pears to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Brevet-Colonel Henry Torrens Walker, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Captain George Skene Hallowes to be Major, by purchase, vice Pears. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Lieutenant John Ireland Dodson to be Captain, by purchase, vice Hallowes. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Lieutenant William Cecil Hinton, from 91st Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice E. J. Christian, who exchanges. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Ensign Alfred William Turnbull to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Dobson. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Gentleman Cadet Charles William Gray, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Turnbull. Dated 21st August, 1869.

91st Foot—Lieutenant Evan John Christian, from 25th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice W. C. Hinton, who exchanges. Dated 21st August, 1869.

94th Foot—Lieutenant John Mitchel Elliot to be Instructor of Musketry, vice Lieutenant R. E. Wallace, who has exchanged into the 17th Foot. Dated 18th August, 1869.

98th Foot—Captain Loftus Lewis Astley Cooper, from the 85th Foot, to be Captain, vice G. W. Smith, who exchanges. Dated 21st August, 1869.

100th Foot—Ensign Louis Nicholas de la Cherois-Crommelin to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice William Palmer Clarke, who retires. Dated 21st August, 1869.

Atwell Robert Porter, Gent, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice de la Cherois-Crommelin. Dated 21st August, 1869.

102nd Foot—Gentleman Cadet Hugh Claude Edward Lucas, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, vice McCaskill, promoted. Dated 21st August, 1869.

105th Foot—Ensign Arthur Frederick Barrow, from 101st Foot, to be Ensign, vice Maltby, promoted. Dated 21st August, 1869.

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"5. The number and names of the branches still open, the salaries of the gentlemen in charge, the rent of the premises, and general cost of the establishments.

"Trusting, Sir, that you may be able to find a corner for us in your valuable paper, I remain, yours very obediently,

May, 1869. "BURMO-BRITANNICUS."

The *Northern Daily Express* says that the King of Sweden was expected to arrive on Dee Side at the end of August on a visit to the Prince of Wales, at Abergeldie.

The Egyptian Navigation Company, the Azizié, has, it is reported, completed an experimental arrangement to continue for six months for regular steam communication between Venice and Alexandria. Signor Haicalis, the agent of the society, who has just returned to Egypt, has completed the establishment of certain relations with commercial companies in Switzerland and Germany, one immediate result of which is an offer to transmit by the company's line about thirty thousand bales of cotton, which can readily be expedited to Venice by the Brenner Pass, but must otherwise go by Marseilles or Trieste. The economical inducements offered by this company are said to be considerable.—*Globe.*

From an article upon Georgia by M. de Villeneuve, the last explorer of that district, it appears that the much-vaunted beauty of the Georgian women is almost wholly confined to the inhabitants of the provinces of Imerethia and Mingrelia. As for the men, they are distinguished by another advantage—the prominence of their noses. M. de Villeneuve speaks of these noses in terms of the greatest enthusiasm: "Were you adorned with the finest nose which Europe ever produced—a nose by the side of which that of Alcide, Tousey, or Schiller would look insignificant—you would be the object of remarking in the streets of Tiflis. On your arrival at the very frontier of the country you cannot escape from the conviction that at the sight of these Georgian noses, all noses, whether Greek, Roman, Spanish, or even Neapolitan and Tyrolese, should hide themselves with shame. The Georgian noses are of every shape and of every colour, but the red and the purple predominate. You have but to press them between your fingers, and from the smallest would flow a pint of the wine of Kaketia." It would seem however that it cost something to colour these noses. M. de Villeneuve asserts that the Georgians generally consume from six to seven litres of wine at each meal—and that fifteen-litre men are by no means rare. This beats our almost extinct race of three-bottle men, of whom we have in your time been proud.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

All the extraordinary proceedings of the many fanatical sects whose rapid increase has excited so much anxiety in Russia are fairly thrown into the shade by a terrible act of self-immolation which is reported from the Government of Saratowa A few months ago the prophets of a new religion made their appearance in that part of the Empire, preaching self-destruction by fire as the only sure road to salvation; and so readily was their dreadful doctrine received by the ignorant and superstitious peasantry, that in one large village no less than 1,700 persons assembled in some wooden houses, and, having barricaded the doors and windows, set the building on fire and perished in the flames. The authorities are doing all they can to stay the progress of this new madness, but their task is obviously a difficult one. The punishments which the law can inflict must have little terror for enthusiasts who deliberately choose a death so horrible as the true road to heaven.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

PICKINGS FROM "PUNCH."

WILL IT EVER BE OTHERWISE?

There is so much adulteration in what we eat and drink that most articles of consumption have to be taken upon trust, and treated as Articles of Faith.

IS THIS A CANARD FROM CANADA?

"A curious bet was made between two gentlemen of this city [Montreal] noted for the amplitude of their beards. . . . The bet was that the loser of the toss should at once denude himself of his magnificent beard and moustaches."

What a hair-breadth escape for the winner!

A DISTINGUISHED TOURIST.

Mrs. Malaprop is abroad with her husband and a Currier, and from the accounts which have come to hand of her progress appears to be making rather a wide circuit in her travels, letters having been received from her dated Aches-la-Chapel, The Ague, Humbug, Kissing'em, Tureen and Whistbaden. She writes that she was delighted with the Rind and not surprised at the colour of the Roan. Her descriptions of Lake Lemon, the Jargonelles, the Hearts Mountains, and the Simpleton Pass are very remarkable, and the Jury Mountains she describes as Grand. When last heard of, Mrs. M. was going to Ruin.

FOOTING OF CHINESE ROYALTY.

Through one of Reuter's wires we are informed that—

"The Chinese authorities at Pekin have officially intimated to Sir Rutherford Alcock that the Duke of Edinburgh cannot be received by the royal family of China on a footing of equality."

This shows some abatement of Chinese self-esteem. The Royal Family of China mean, of course, that they are prepared to receive the Queen of England's son on a footing of superiority, a considerably higher footing than their own. Accordingly it has doubtless been "intimated," if not plainly announced, to them in return, that they are at liberty to kiss his Royal Highness's foot, and will obtain assuredly therefrom, the footing which they are entitled to.

FINE LANGUAGE FOR FINE LADIES.

Strange as are the fashionable costumes now in vogue, the words used to describe them are to our mind stranger still. For instance, look at this:—

"The basque is edged round the bottom with a small fluting. The tight sleeves are trimmed at the wrists with a bouillon with two headings."

As there is a musical resemblance in the words, it